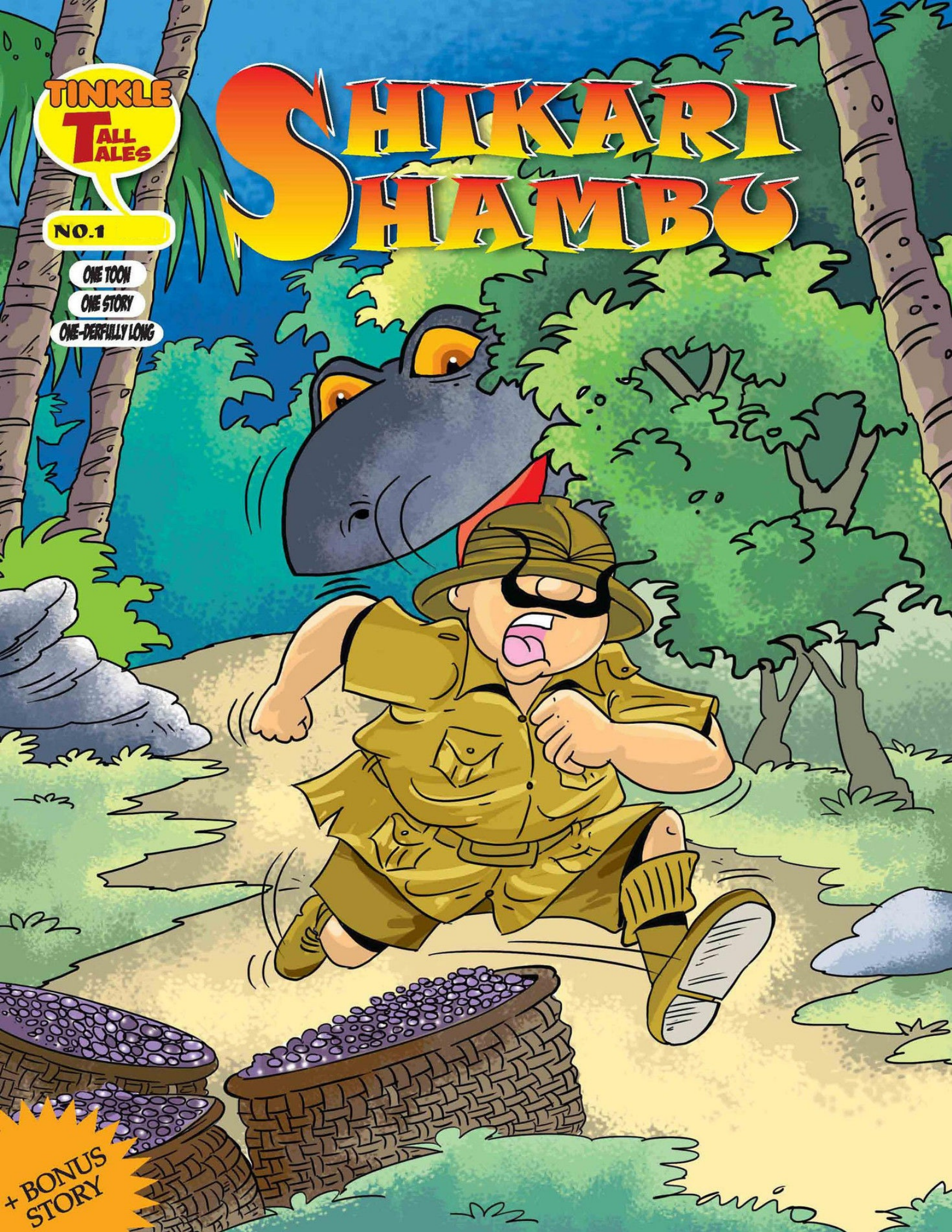
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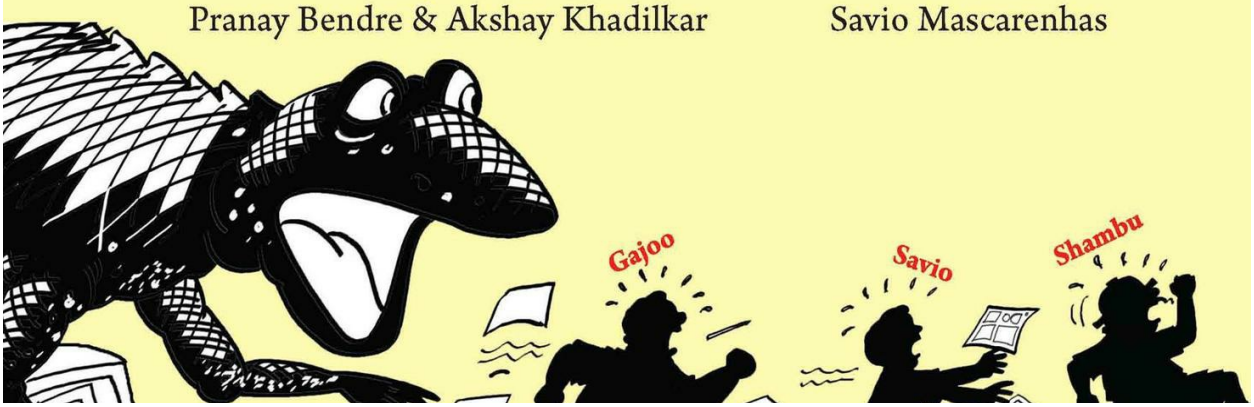

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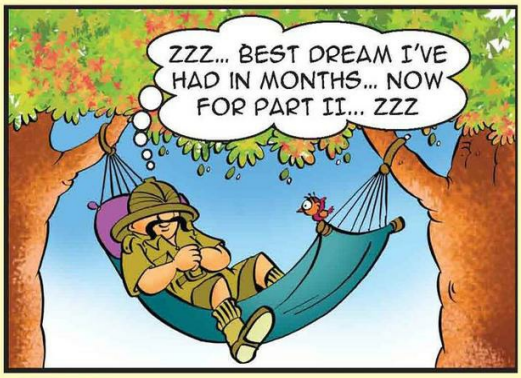
The hunter-turned-conservationist

Left to himself, Shikari Shambu would sleep all day long…



But his dreams are seldom completed because…

…Shanti, his wife and manager hates to see him wasting his time!

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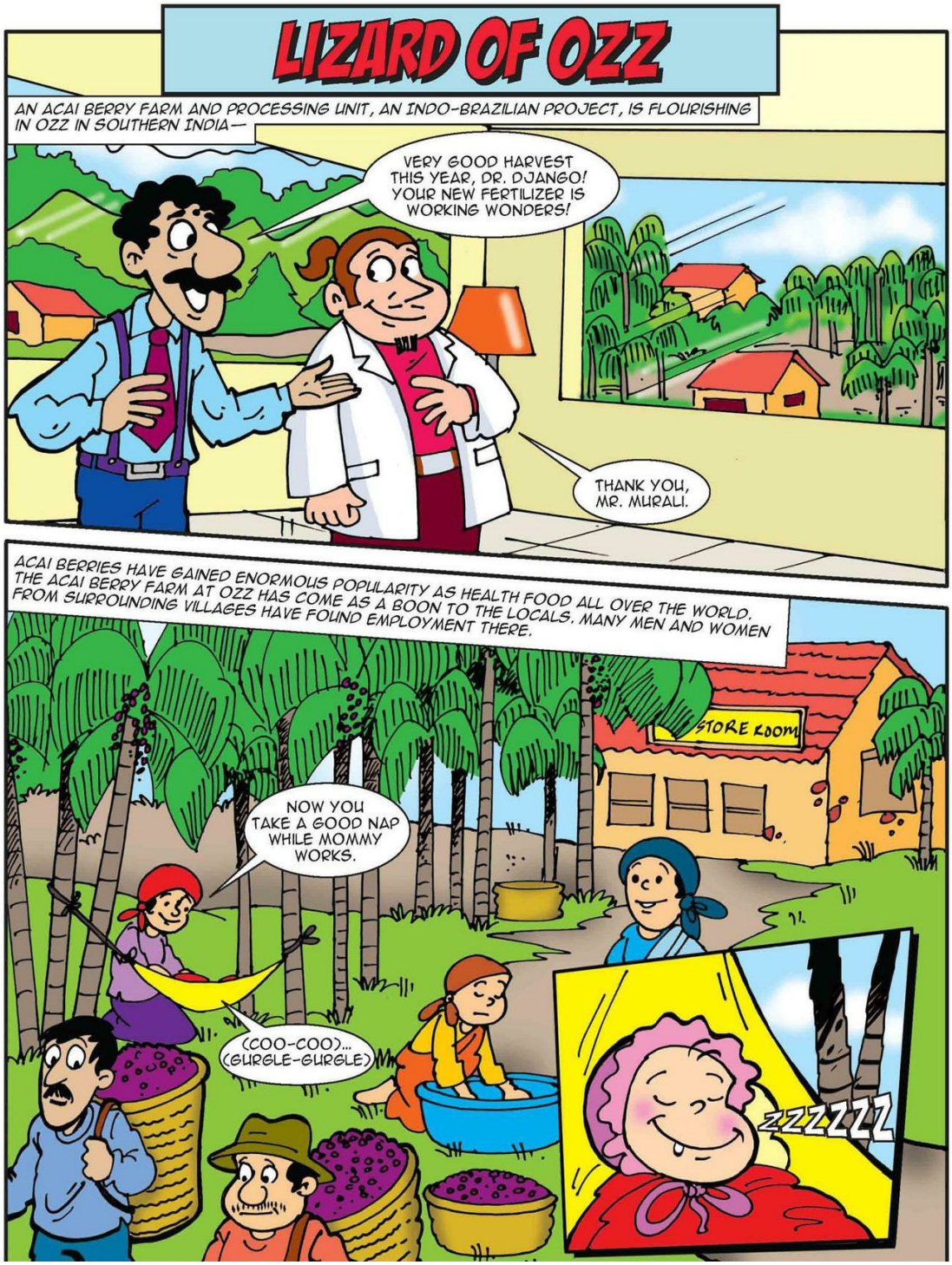
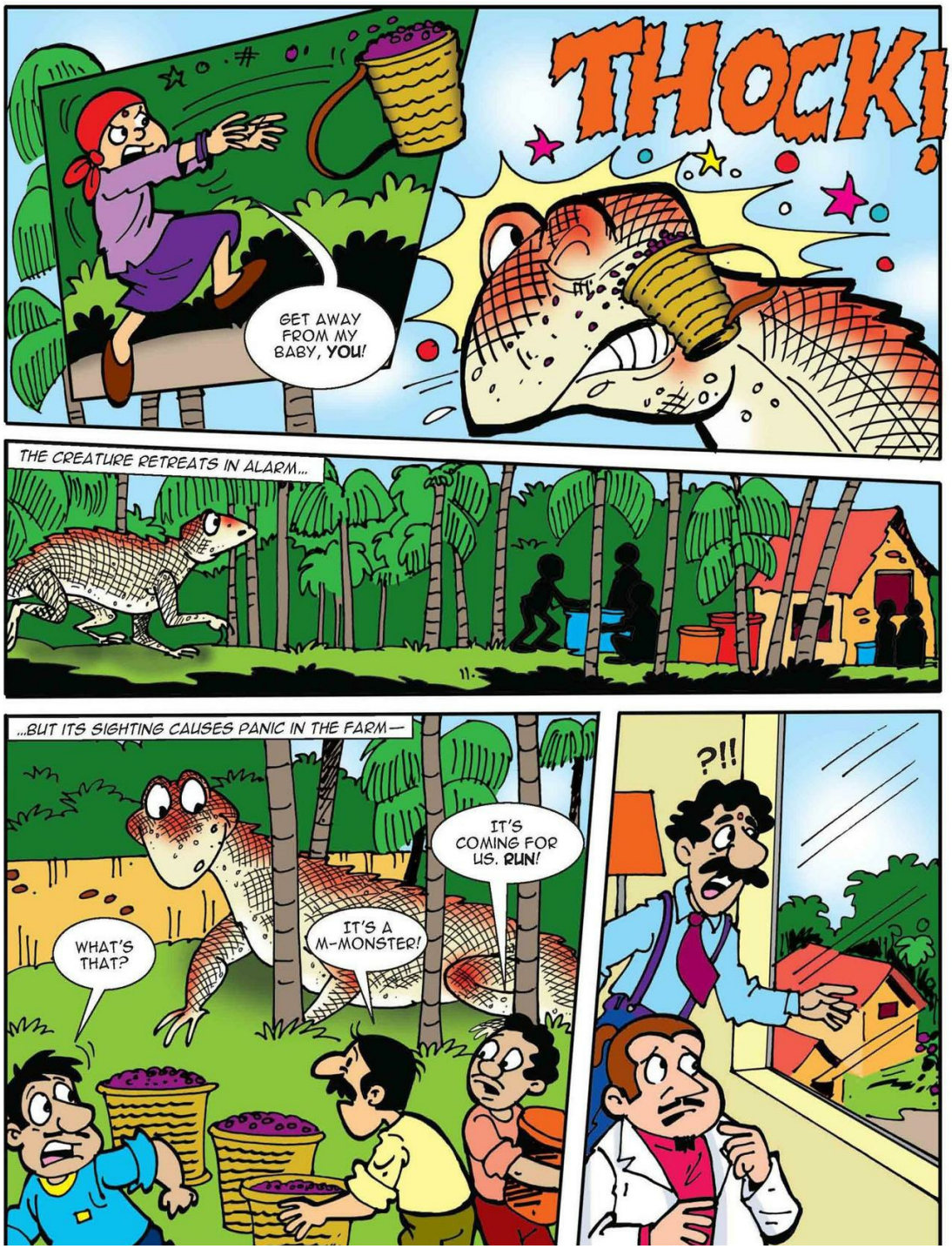

LIZARD OF OZZ
AN ACAI BERRY FARM AND PROCESSING UNIT, AN INDO-BRAZILIAN PROJECT, IS FLOURISHING IN OZZ IN SOUTHERN INDIA—
VERY GOOD HARVEST THIS YEAR, DR. DJANGO! YOUR NEW FERTILIZER IS WORKING WONDERS!
THANK YOU, MR. MURALI.
ACAI BERRIES HAVE GAINED ENORMOUS POPULARITY AS HEALTH FOOD ALL OVER THE WORLD. THE ACAI BERRY FARM AT OZZ HAS COME AS A BOON TO THE LOCALS. MANY MEN AND WOMEN FROM SURROUNDING VILLAGES HAVE FOUND EMPLOYMENT THERE.
STORE ROOM
NOW YOU TAKE A GOOD NAP WHILE MOMMY WORKS.
(COO-COO)... (GURGLE-GURGLE)
ZZZZZZ

A LITTLE LATER—
HSS....SSSSSS...
RUSTLE!
RUSTLE!
WAAAAAAH! WAAAAHHHHHHH!
SHE MUST BE HUNGRY. BUT I JUST FED HER... THEN, WHAT COULD BE THE MATTER?
OH DEAR! A MONSTER!


THOCK!
GET AWAY FROM MY BABY, **YOU**!
THE CREATURE RETREATS IN ALARM...
...BUT ITS SIGHTING CAUSES PANIC IN THE FARM—
WHAT'S THAT?
IT'S A M-MONSTER!
IT'S COMING FOR US. **RUN**!
?!!

IT'S A DINOSAUR!!
NO, IT'S NOT...
WE'VE GOT TO STOP IT BEFORE IT WRECKS THE FARM!
WAIT!
MR. MURALI, WAIT!
CHOMP! CHOMP!
DON'T SHOOT, PLEASE!

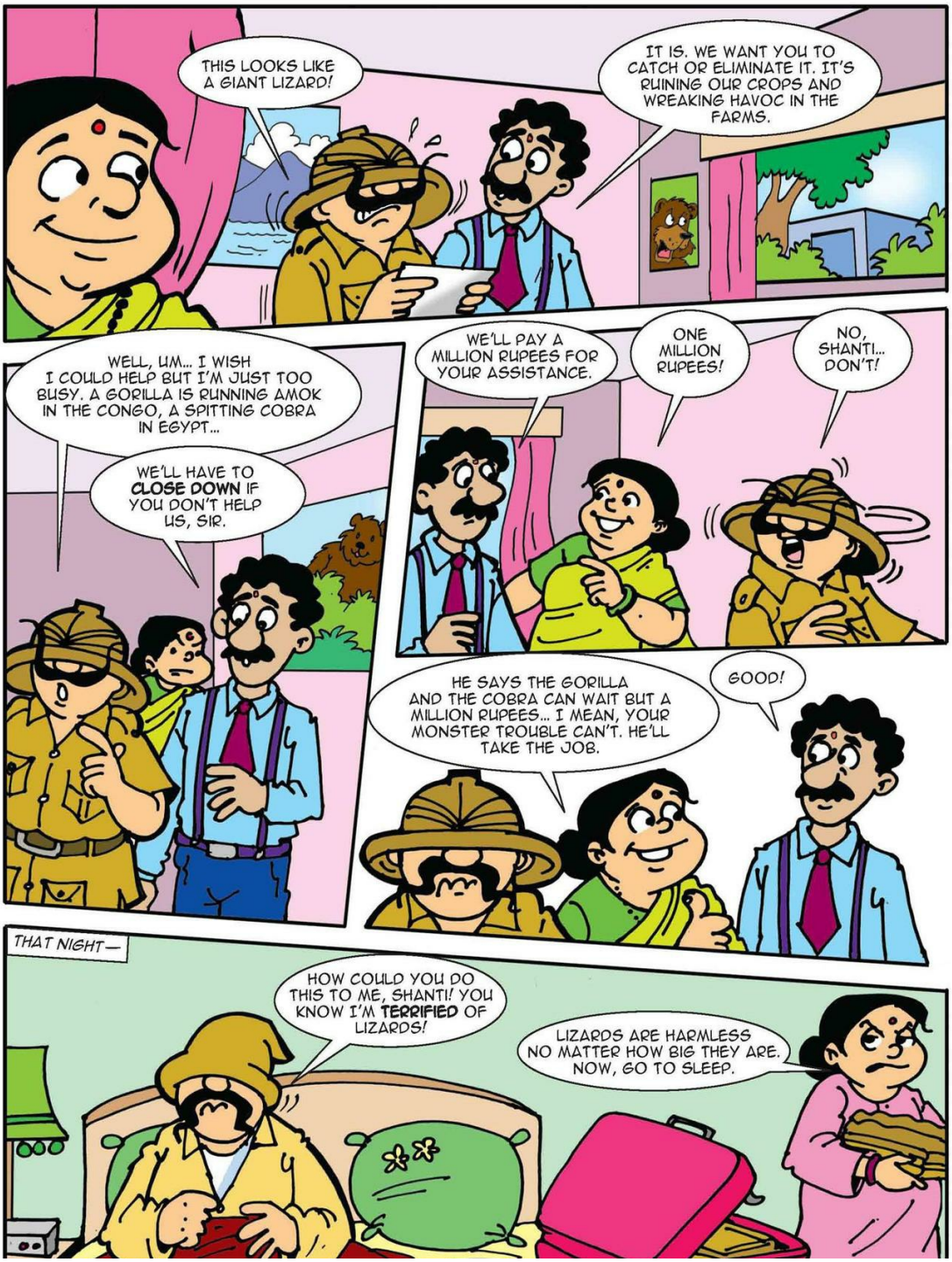
BANG!
WHY DID YOU JERK MY ARM? I WOULD'VE SHOT IT!
WITH THAT TOY? YOU WOULD'VE ONLY TICKLED IT.
BAH! I'LL SHOW YOU!
BANG!
BANG!
THE GIANT BEAST SCUTTLES AWAY...
AND AS MURALI FIRES AGAIN, IT BREAKS INTO A RUN.
ZWOOOOOSSHHHH
BANG!

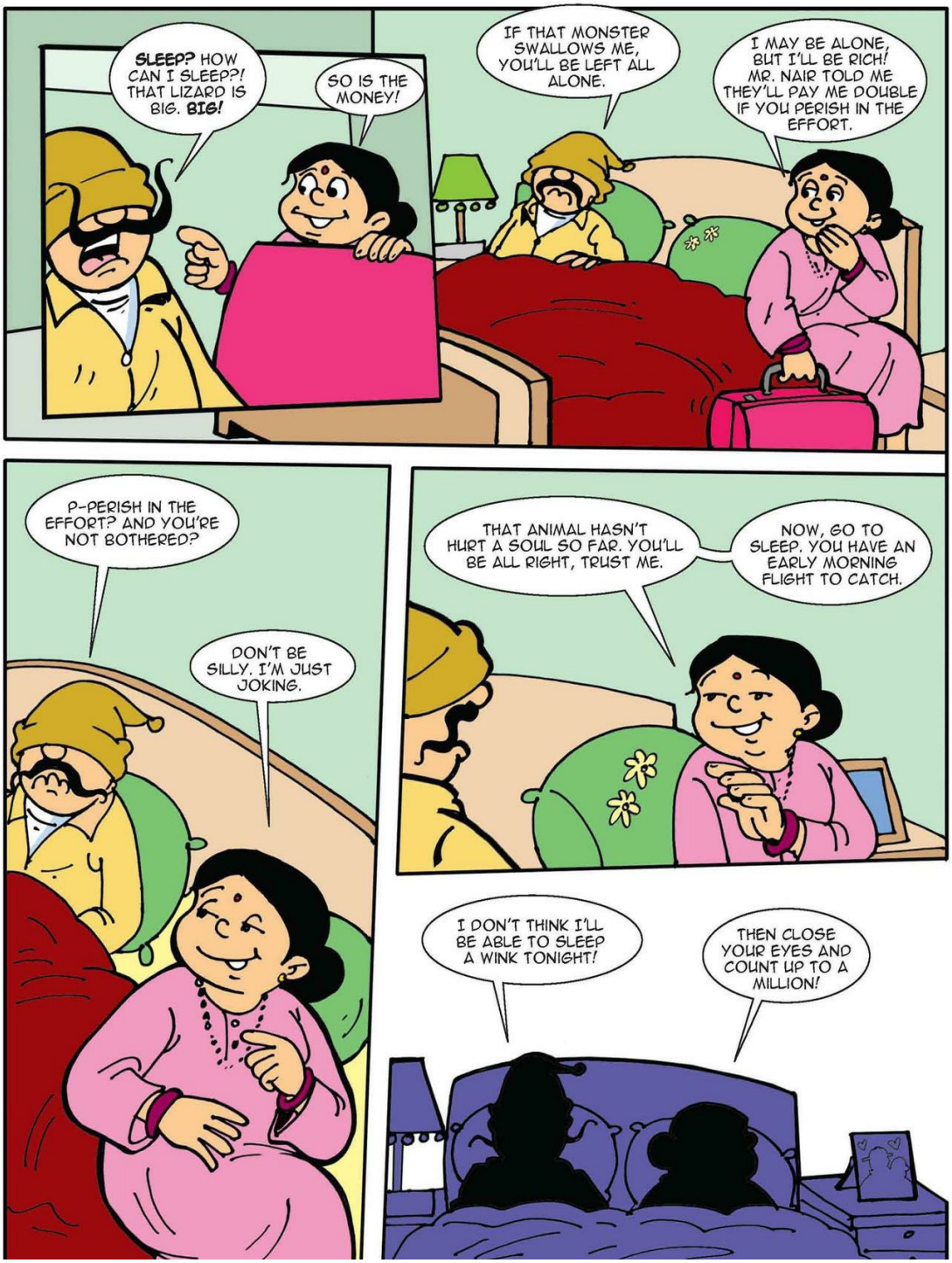
A FEW DAYS LATER, IN ANOTHER PART OF THE COUNTRY—
WAKE UP, WILL YOU?
ZZZZZZZZ...ZZZZ
DIDN'T I JUST CLEAN IT LAST YEAR? (GRUMBLE-GRUMBLE)
GET UP, LAZYBONES!
HELP ME CLEAN THE CEILING. NOW!
EH? WHAT?
HEY! SHOO! SHOO!

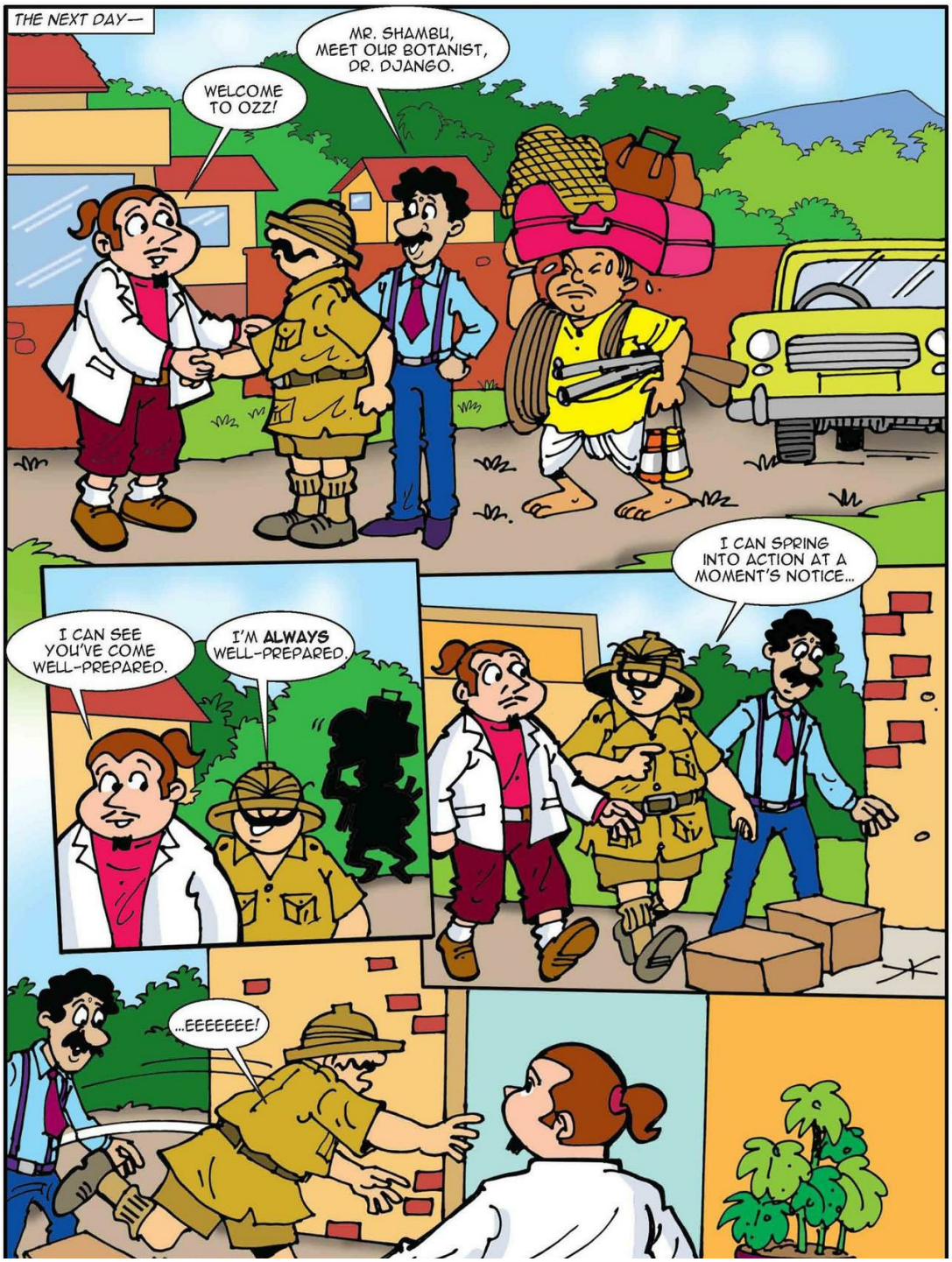
PLOP!
G-GO AWAY!
YIKES!
NOOOOOO!
HELP, SHANTI, HELP!
WHAT'S THE MATTER?

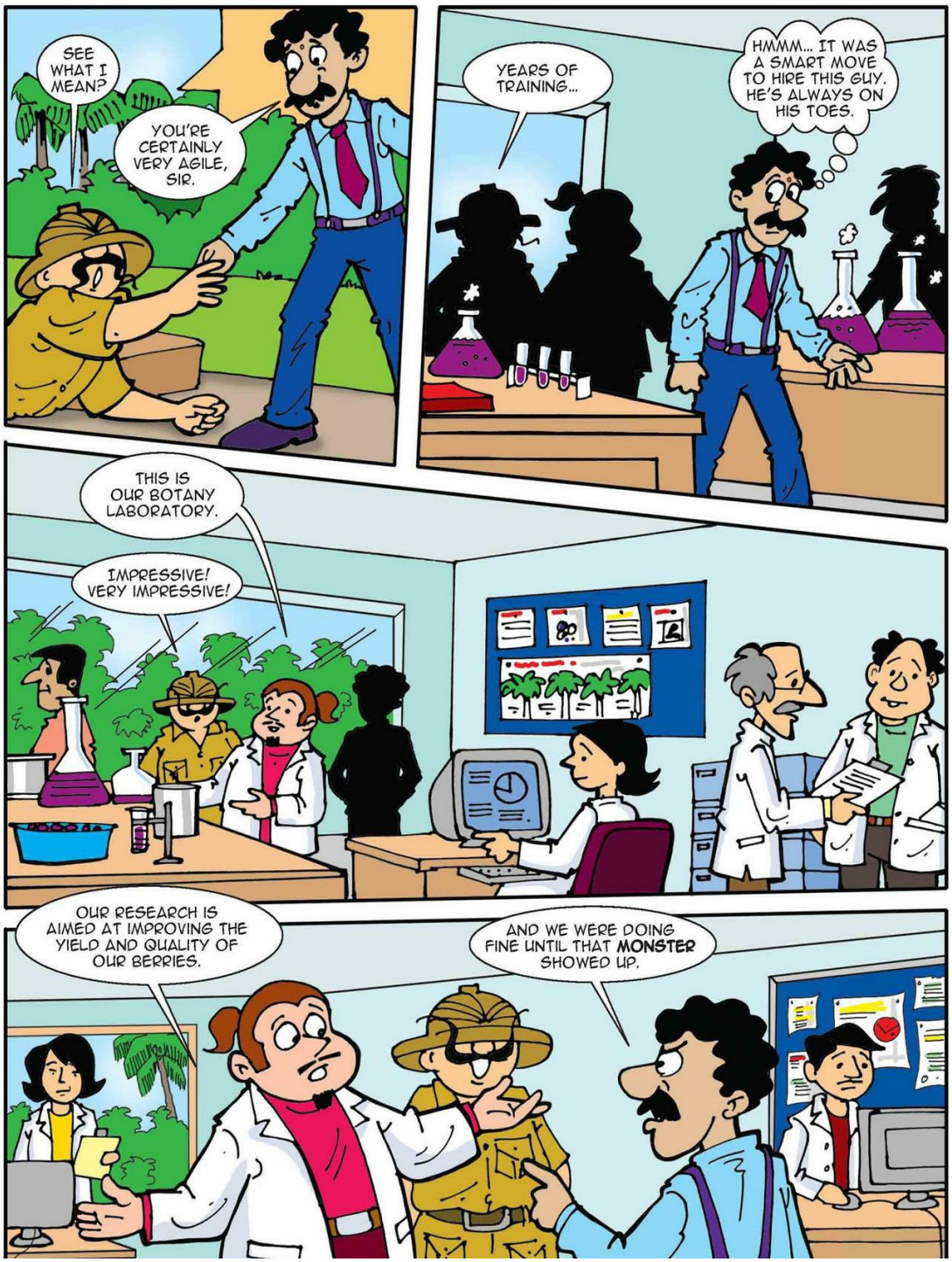
WHAT'RE YOU DOING UP THERE?
LIZARD!
I CAN'T SEE ANY LIZARD HERE. COME DOWN AT ONCE!
THE DOORBELL... NOW WHO COULD THAT BE?
DING! DONG!!
I'M LOOKING FOR MR. SHAMBU...
ER... PLEASE COME IN.
AS YOU CAN SEE, HE'S A LITTLE BUSY RIGHT NOW.
IT HAS JUMPED OFF. (WHEW!)
WHAT'S HE DOING UP THERE?

MY FAVOURITE EXERCISE... CEILING FAN PUSH-UPS. HEH-HEH!
OH. AND THAT IS...?
MY PET LIZARD. HEHE! LIZARDS, SNAKES, CROCODILES... ALL FIND A HOME HERE.
I'D BETTER WATCH MY STEP THEN.
ARE YOU A REPORTER?
NO, SIR. I'M MURALI NAIR FROM OZZ ACAI BERRY PLANTATIONS.
WE NEED YOUR HELP.
MY HELP? BUT I KNOW NOTHING ABOUT BERRIES.
BUT YOU KNOW ALL ABOUT ANIMALS.
THIS CAN'T BE GOOD.
(GULP!)
WE'RE BEING TERRORIZED BY THIS ONE.


THIS LOOKS LIKE A GIANT LIZARD!
IT IS. WE WANT YOU TO CATCH OR ELIMINATE IT. IT'S RUINING OUR CROPS AND WREAKING HAVOC IN THE FARMS.
WELL, UM... I WISH I COULD HELP BUT I'M JUST TOO BUSY. A GORILLA IS RUNNING AMOK IN THE CONGO, A SPITTING COBRA IN EGYPT...
WE'LL HAVE TO CLOSE DOWN IF YOU DON'T HELP US, SIR.
WE'LL PAY A MILLION RUPEES FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE.
ONE MILLION RUPEES!
NO, SHANTI... DON'T!
HE SAYS THE GORILLA AND THE COBRA CAN WAIT BUT A MILLION RUPEES... I MEAN, YOUR MONSTER TROUBLE CAN'T. HE'LL TAKE THE JOB.
GOOD!
THAT NIGHT—
HOW COULD YOU DO THIS TO ME, SHANTI! YOU KNOW I'M TERRIFIED OF LIZARDS!
LIZARDS ARE HARMLESS NO MATTER HOW BIG THEY ARE. NOW, GO TO SLEEP.

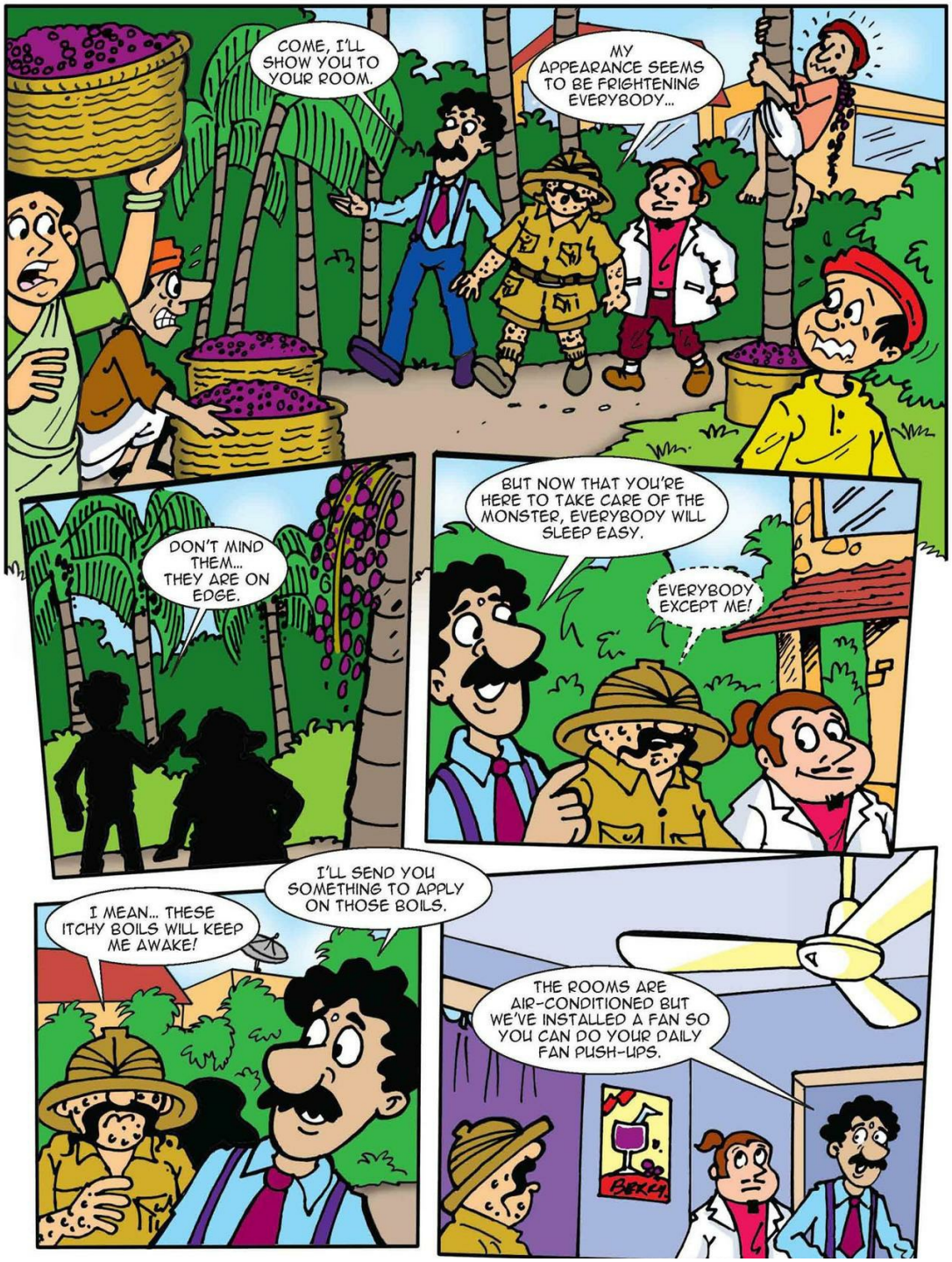

SLEEP? HOW CAN I SLEEP?! THAT LIZARD IS BIG. BIG!
SO IS THE MONEY!
IF THAT MONSTER SWALLOWS ME, YOU'LL BE LEFT ALL ALONE.
I MAY BE ALONE, BUT I'LL BE RICH! MR. NAIR TOLD ME THEY'LL PAY ME DOUBLE IF YOU PERISH IN THE EFFORT.
P-PERISH IN THE EFFORT? AND YOU'RE NOT BOTHERED?
DON'T BE SILLY. I'M JUST JOKING.
THAT ANIMAL HASN'T HURT A SOUL SO FAR. YOU'LL BE ALL RIGHT, TRUST ME.
NOW, GO TO SLEEP. YOU HAVE AN EARLY MORNING FLIGHT TO CATCH.
I DON'T THINK I'LL BE ABLE TO SLEEP A WINK TONIGHT!
THEN CLOSE YOUR EYES AND COUNT UP TO A MILLION!

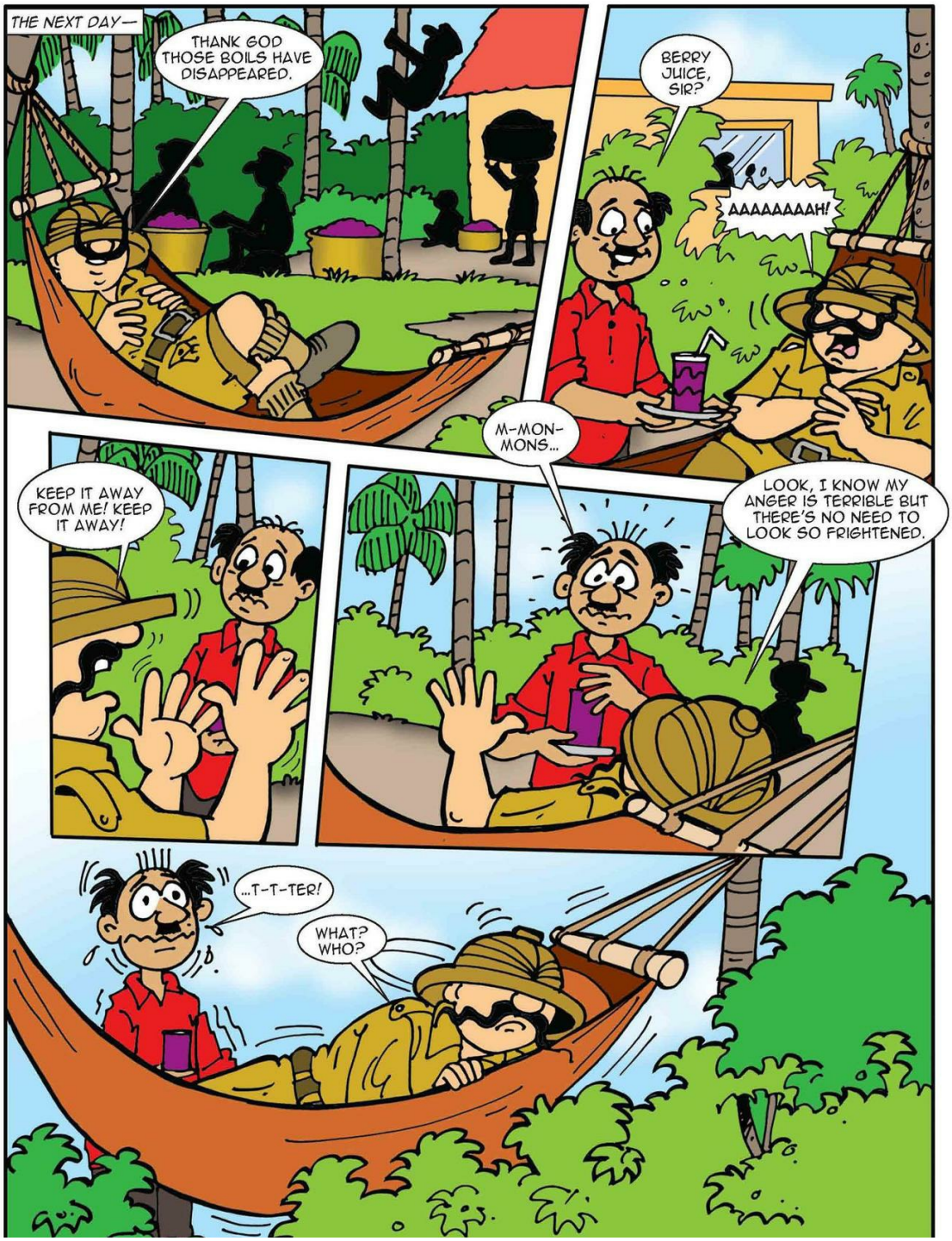

THE NEXT DAY—
WELCOME TO OZZ!
MR. SHAMBU, MEET OUR BOTANIST, DR. DJANGO.
I CAN SEE YOU'VE COME WELL-PREPARED.
I'M ALWAYS WELL-PREPARED.
I CAN SPRING INTO ACTION AT A MOMENT'S NOTICE...
...EEEEEEE!


SEE WHAT I MEAN?
YOU'RE CERTAINLY VERY AGILE, SIR.
YEARS OF TRAINING...
HMMM... IT WAS A SMART MOVE TO HIRE THIS GUY. HE'S ALWAYS ON HIS TOES.
THIS IS OUR BOTANY LABORATORY.
IMPRESSIVE! VERY IMPRESSIVE!
OUR RESEARCH IS AIMED AT IMPROVING THE YIELD AND QUALITY OF OUR BERRIES.
AND WE WERE DOING FINE UNTIL THAT MONSTER SHOWED UP.

MR. SHAMBU, HAVE SOME ACAI BERRY JUICE.
JUST WHAT I NEED. MY THROAT IS DRY AS DUST!
GLUG GLUG GLUG
(SLURP) THAT WAS NICE. VERY REFRESHING.
SUDDENLY—
WHAT A S-STRANGE S-SENSATION!
??!
WHAT'S HAPPENING?
PLOP!
PLOOP!!
IS A VOLCANO ERUPTING SOMEWHERE?
PLOP!
PLOOP!!

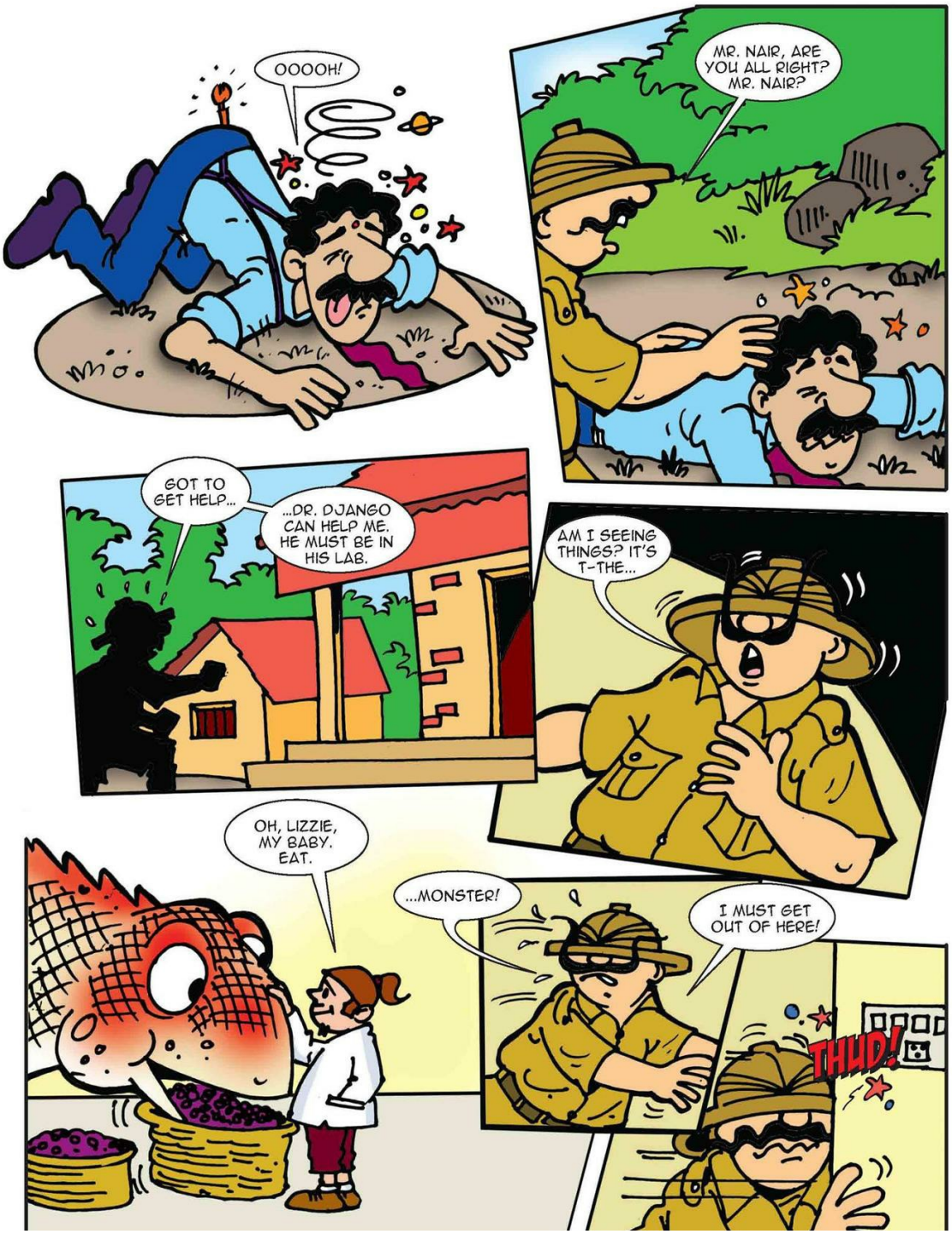
YOU ARE ERUPTING!
BUT... HOW?
I THINK I KNOW WHAT HAPPENED.
IDIOT! THIS IS NOT ACAI BERRY JUICE!
B-BUT IT WAS IN THE SAME FRIDGE, SIR.
SORRY, MR. SHAMBU. THERE'S BEEN AN UNFORTUNATE MISTAKE. THESE BOILS WILL CLEAR UP SOON THOUGH. HOW DO YOU FEEL?
BOIL-ED OVER.
I HOPE THIS WILL NOT DETER YOU FROM YOUR MISSION, SIR.
NO, NO. THESE BOILS ARE NOTHING...
...COMPARED TO SHANTI'S BOILING RAGE IF I RETURN WITH EMPTY POCKETS!

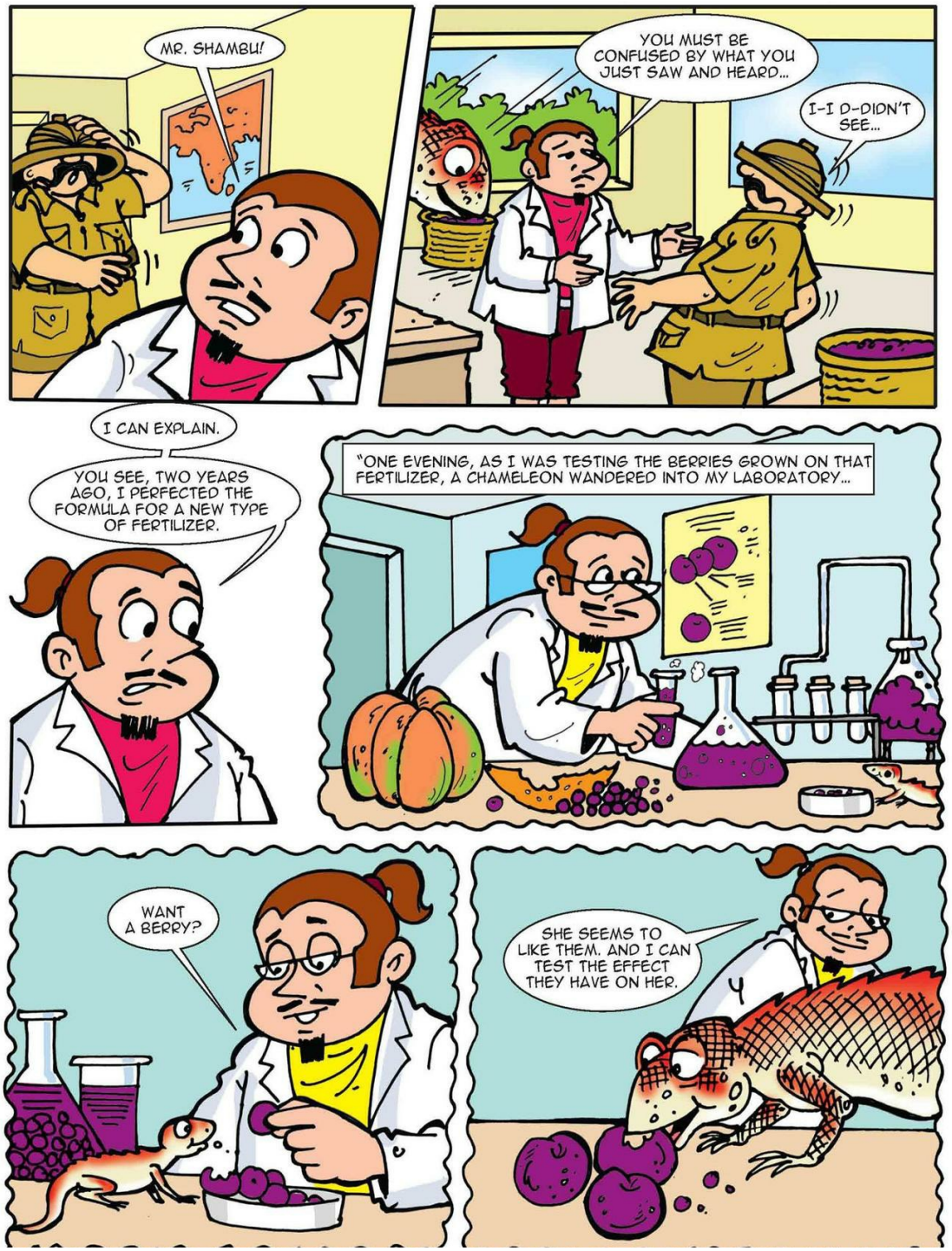

COME, I'LL SHOW YOU TO YOUR ROOM.
MY APPEARANCE SEEMS TO BE FRIGHTENING EVERYBODY...
DON'T MIND THEM... THEY ARE ON EDGE.
BUT NOW THAT YOU'RE HERE TO TAKE CARE OF THE MONSTER, EVERYBODY WILL SLEEP EASY.
EVERYBODY EXCEPT ME!
I MEAN... THESE ITCHY BOILS WILL KEEP ME AWAKE!
I'LL SEND YOU SOMETHING TO APPLY ON THOSE BOILS.
THE ROOMS ARE AIR-CONDITIONED BUT WE'VE INSTALLED A FAN SO YOU CAN DO YOUR DAILY FAN PUSH-UPS.
BEKA

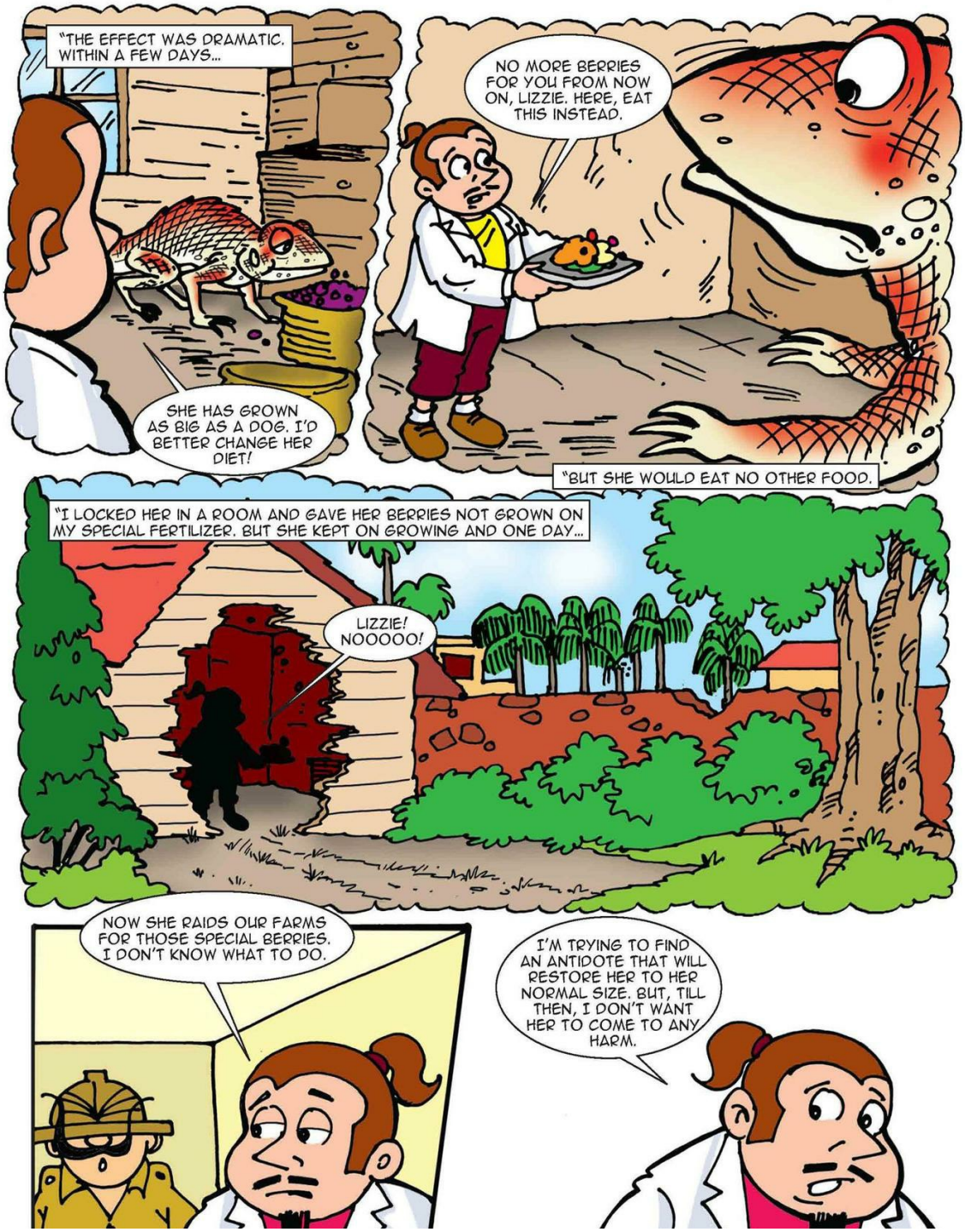

THE NEXT DAY—
THANK GOD THOSE BOILS HAVE DISAPPEARED.
BERRY JUICE, SIR?
AAAAAAAAH!
M-MON-MONS...
LOOK, I KNOW MY ANGER IS TERRIBLE BUT THERE'S NO NEED TO LOOK SO FRIGHTENED.
KEEP IT AWAY FROM ME! KEEP IT AWAY!
...T-T-TER!
WHAT? WHO?

HELLO.
WHY ARE YOU AFRAID? IT'S ONLY A...
...MONSTER! OH NO, IT'S HERE!
!
THE MONSTER HAS COME. RUN FOR YOUR LIVES!
QUICK, MR. SHAMBU! STUN IT WITH THIS TRANQUILLIZER GUN. I'LL TRY TO KEEP IT FROM RUNNING AWAY.

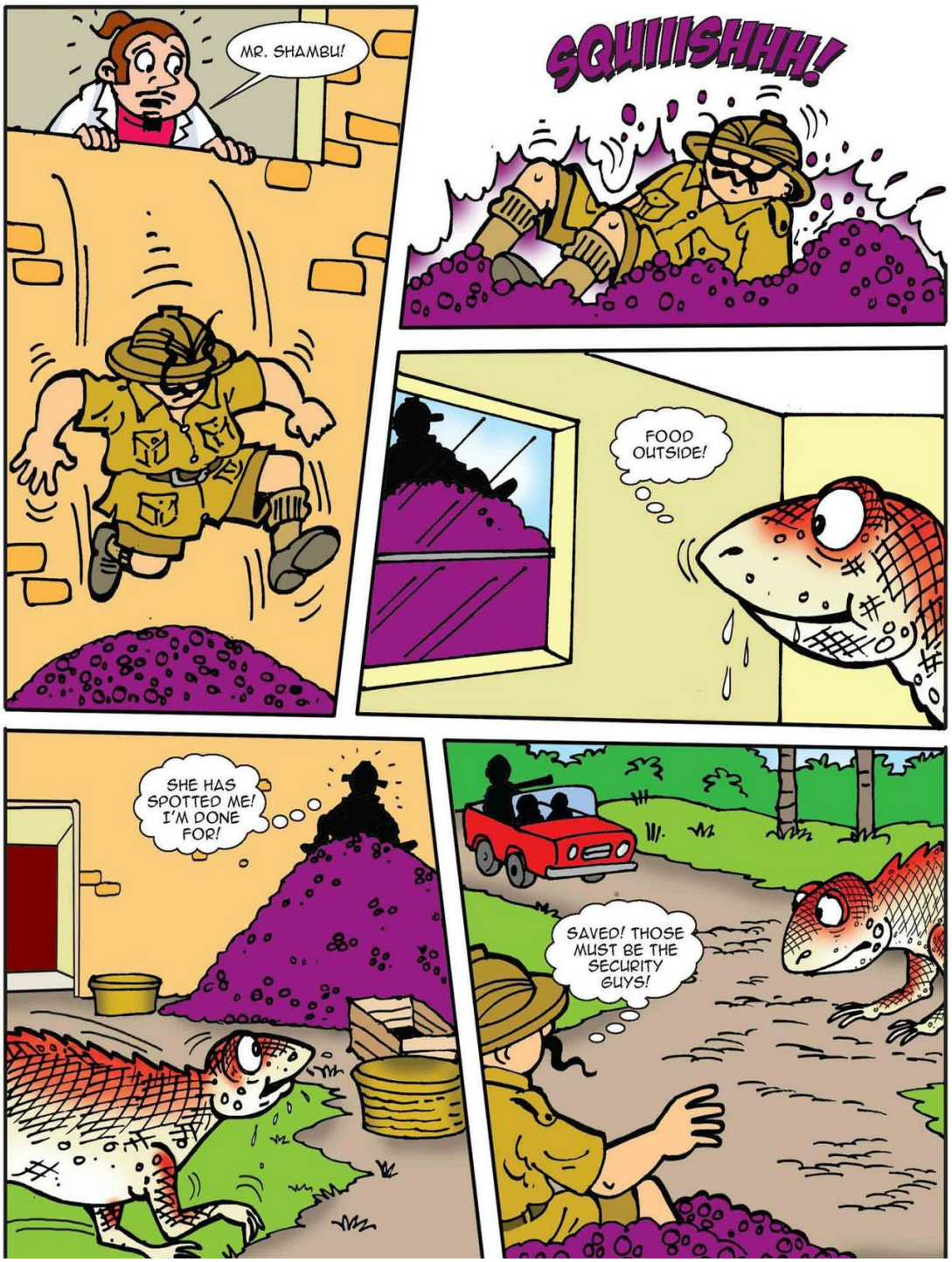
STUN IT, HE SAYS. AS IF IT'S THAT EASY!
HURRY UP, MR. SHAMBU! MY LASSO WON'T HOLD IT FOREVER.
YIKES! WHERE'S THE TRIGGER ON THIS THING?
THERE! I'VE MANAGED TO SHOOT.
ZZZZAAT!
OUUUUCH!
OOPS! WRONG TARGET!

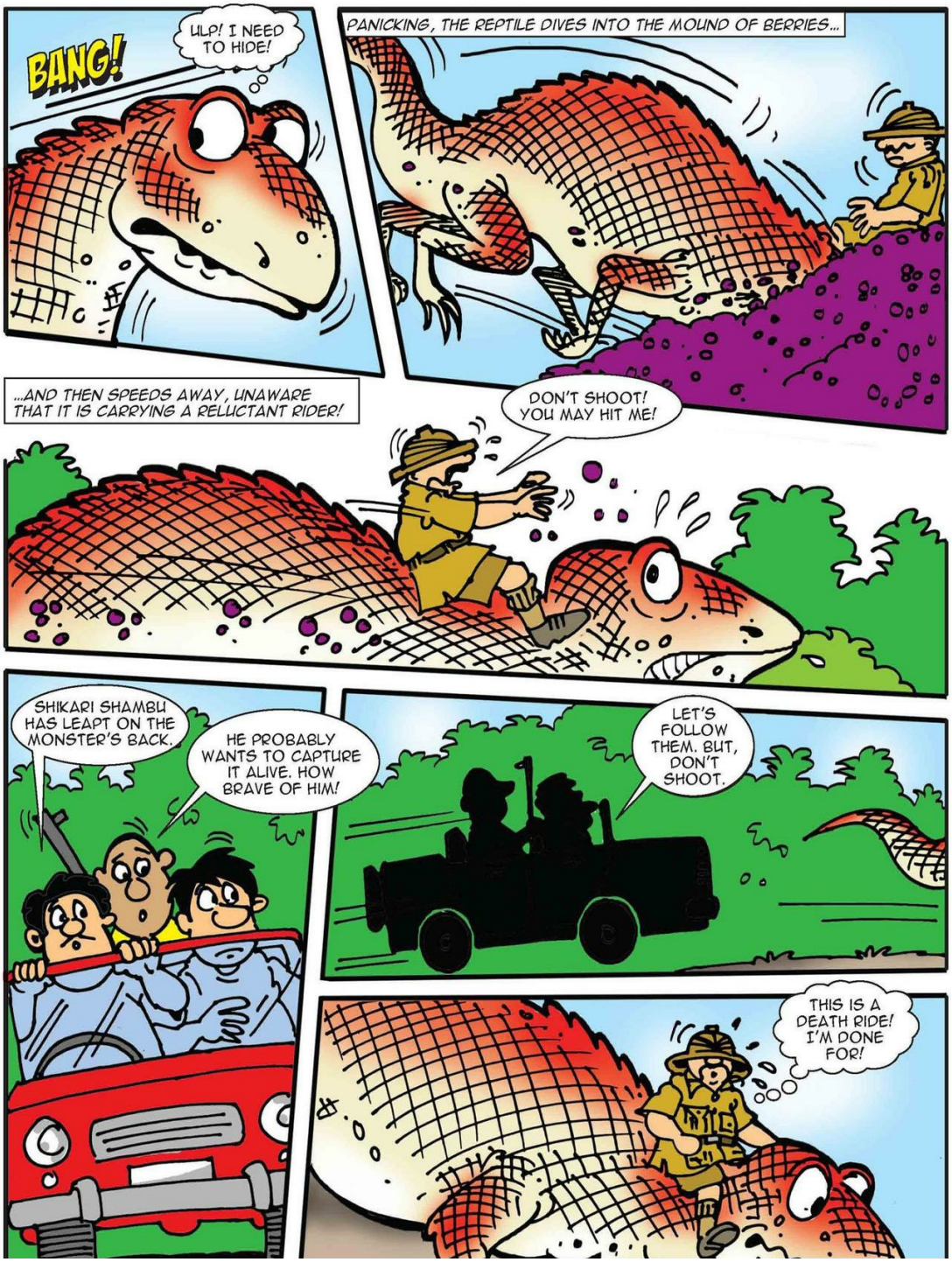

OOOOH!
MR. NAIR, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT? MR. NAIR?
GOT TO GET HELP...
...DR. DJANGO CAN HELP ME. HE MUST BE IN HIS LAB.
AM I SEEING THINGS? IT'S T-THE...
OH, LIZZIE, MY BABY. EAT.
...MONSTER!
I MUST GET OUT OF HERE!
THUD!

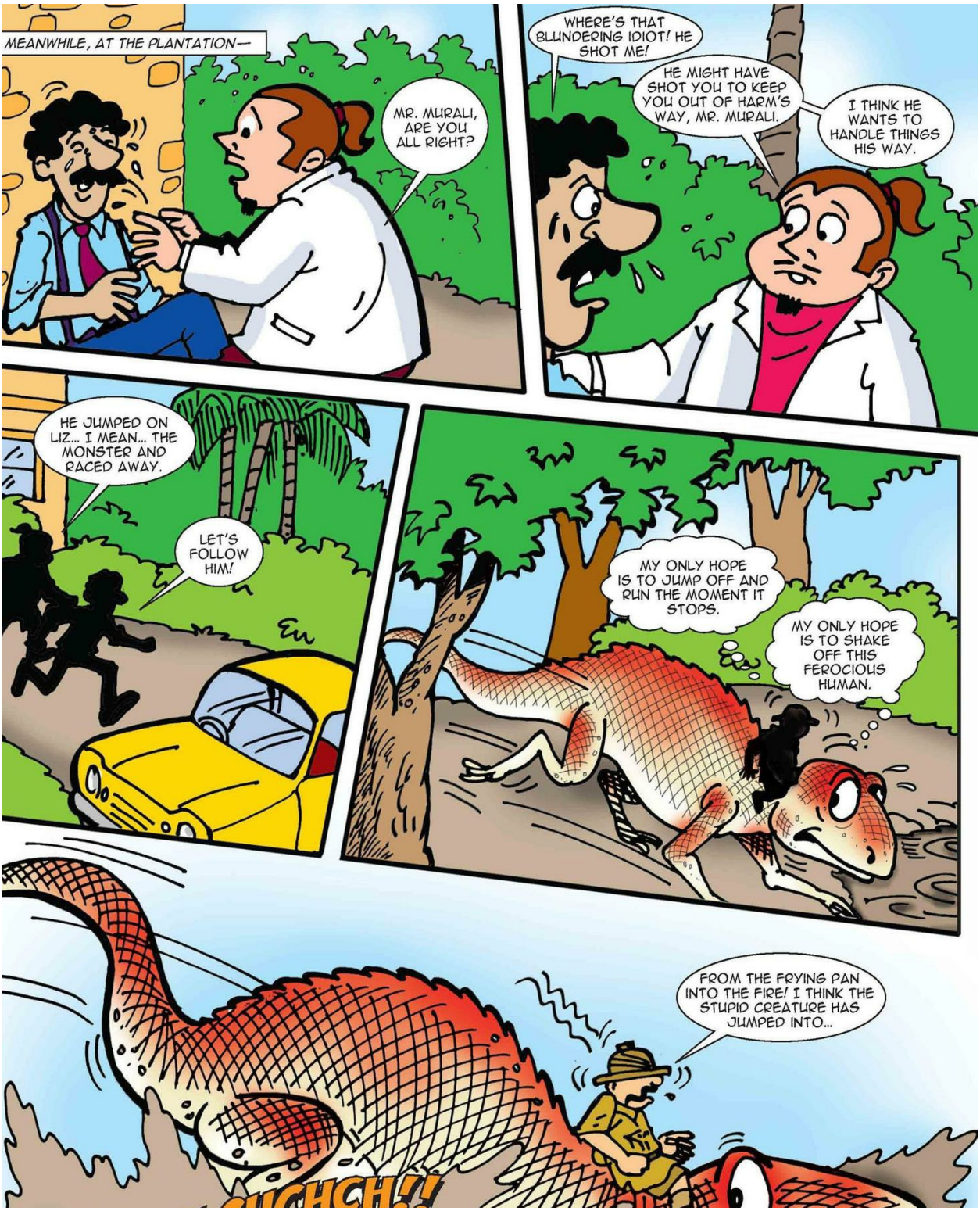

MR. SHAMBU!
YOU MUST BE CONFUSED BY WHAT YOU JUST SAW AND HEARD...
I-I D-DIDN'T SEE...
I CAN EXPLAIN.
YOU SEE, TWO YEARS AGO, I PERFECTED THE FORMULA FOR A NEW TYPE OF FERTILIZER.
"ONE EVENING, AS I WAS TESTING THE BERRIES GROWN ON THAT FERTILIZER, A CHAMELEON WANDERED INTO MY LABORATORY...
WANT A BERRY?
SHE SEEMS TO LIKE THEM. AND I CAN TEST THE EFFECT THEY HAVE ON HER.


"THE EFFECT WAS DRAMATIC. WITHIN A FEW DAYS...
SHE HAS GROWN AS BIG AS A DOG. I'D BETTER CHANGE HER DIET!
NO MORE BERRIES FOR YOU FROM NOW ON, LIZZIE. HERE, EAT THIS INSTEAD.
"BUT SHE WOULD EAT NO OTHER FOOD.
"I LOCKED HER IN A ROOM AND GAVE HER BERRIES NOT GROWN ON MY SPECIAL FERTILIZER. BUT SHE KEPT ON GROWING AND ONE DAY...
LIZZIE! NOOOOO!
NOW SHE RAIDS OUR FARMS FOR THOSE SPECIAL BERRIES. I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO.
I'M TRYING TO FIND AN ANTIDOTE THAT WILL RESTORE HER TO HER NORMAL SIZE. BUT, TILL THEN, I DON'T WANT HER TO COME TO ANY HARM.

REMEMBER THAT DRINK WHICH CAUSED THOSE BOILS? WELL, I SERVED IT TO YOU ON PURPOSE, HOPING IT WOULD DRIVE YOU AWAY. BUT, I MISJUDGED YOU.
YOU'RE BRAVER THAN I THOUGHT.
M-MAYBE N-N-NOT...
PLEASE, MR. SHAMBU, DON'T YOU BELIEVE ME? LIZZIE'S HARMLESS!
UH... Y-YES, I'M SURE SHE IS. I J-J-UST REMEMBERED I HAVE TO GO S-SOMEWHERE...
MR. SHAMBU, WAIT!
I CAN'T TRUST HIM. HE TRIED TO POISON ME! AND NOW HE'S GOING TO FEED ME TO HIS PET!
I'M STUCK. THE ONLY WAY OUT IS THROUGH THIS WINDOW...


MR. SHAMBU!
SQUIIISHHH!
FOOD OUTSIDE!
SHE HAS SPOTTED ME! I'M DONE FOR!
SAVED! THOSE MUST BE THE SECURITY GUYS!


BANG!
ULP! I NEED TO HIDE!
PANICKING, THE REPTILE DIVES INTO THE MOUND OF BERRIES...
...AND THEN SPEEDS AWAY, UNAWARE THAT IT IS CARRYING A RELUCTANT RIDER!
DON'T SHOOT! YOU MAY HIT ME!
SHIKARI SHAMBU HAS LEAPT ON THE MONSTER'S BACK.
HE PROBABLY WANTS TO CAPTURE IT ALIVE. HOW BRAVE OF HIM!
LET'S FOLLOW THEM. BUT, DON'T SHOOT.
THIS IS A DEATH RIDE! I'M DONE FOR!

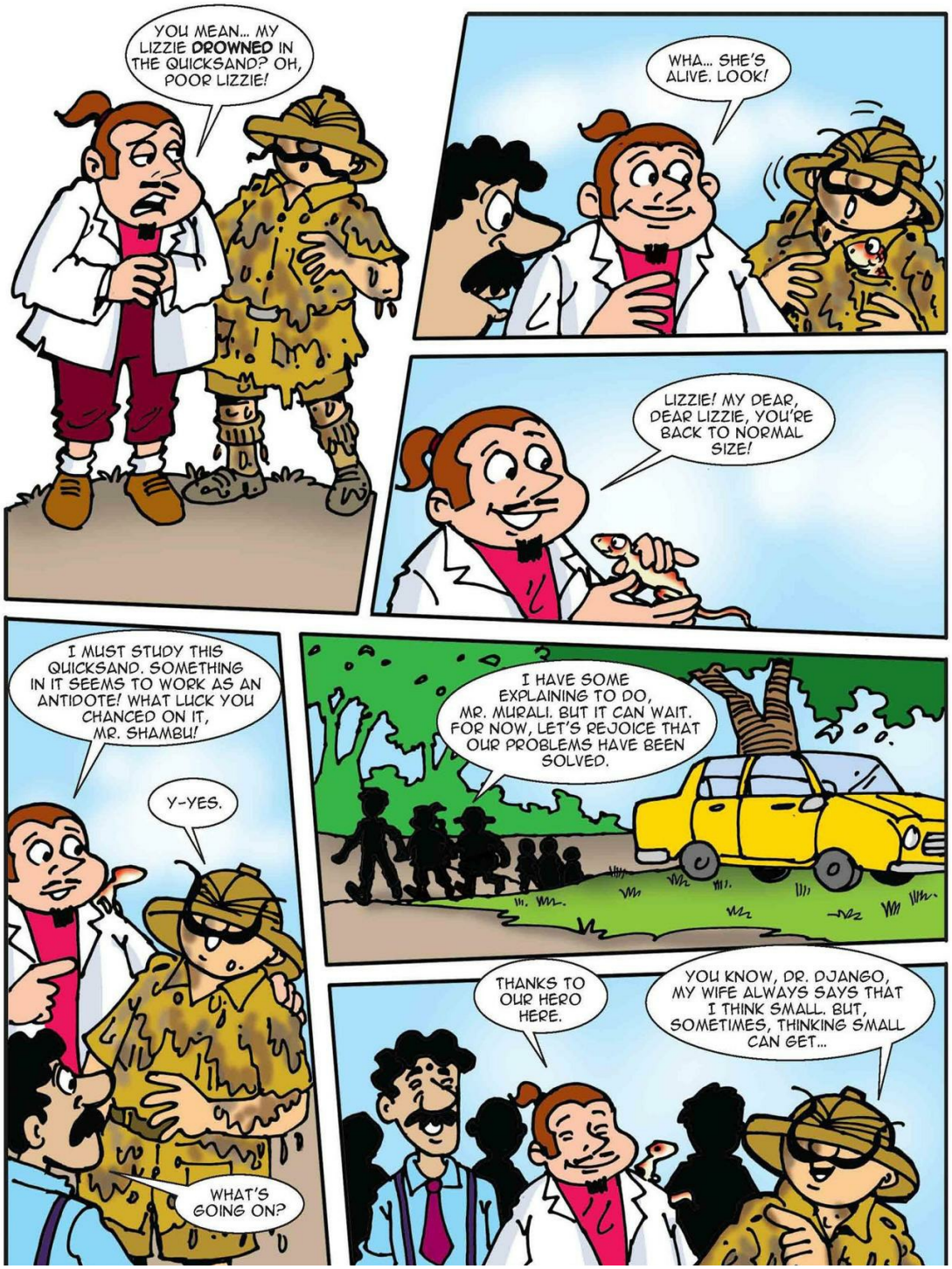

MEANWHILE, AT THE PLANTATION—
MR. MURALI, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
WHERE'S THAT BLUNDERING IDIOT! HE SHOT ME!
HE MIGHT HAVE SHOT YOU TO KEEP YOU OUT OF HARM'S WAY, MR. MURALI.
I THINK HE WANTS TO HANDLE THINGS HIS WAY.
HE JUMPED ON LIZ... I MEAN... THE MONSTER AND RACED AWAY.
LET'S FOLLOW HIM!
MY ONLY HOPE IS TO JUMP OFF AND RUN THE MOMENT IT STOPS.
MY ONLY HOPE IS TO SHAKE OFF THIS FEROCIOUS HUMAN.
FROM THE FRYING PAN INTO THE FIRE! I THINK THE STUPID CREATURE HAS JUMPED INTO...

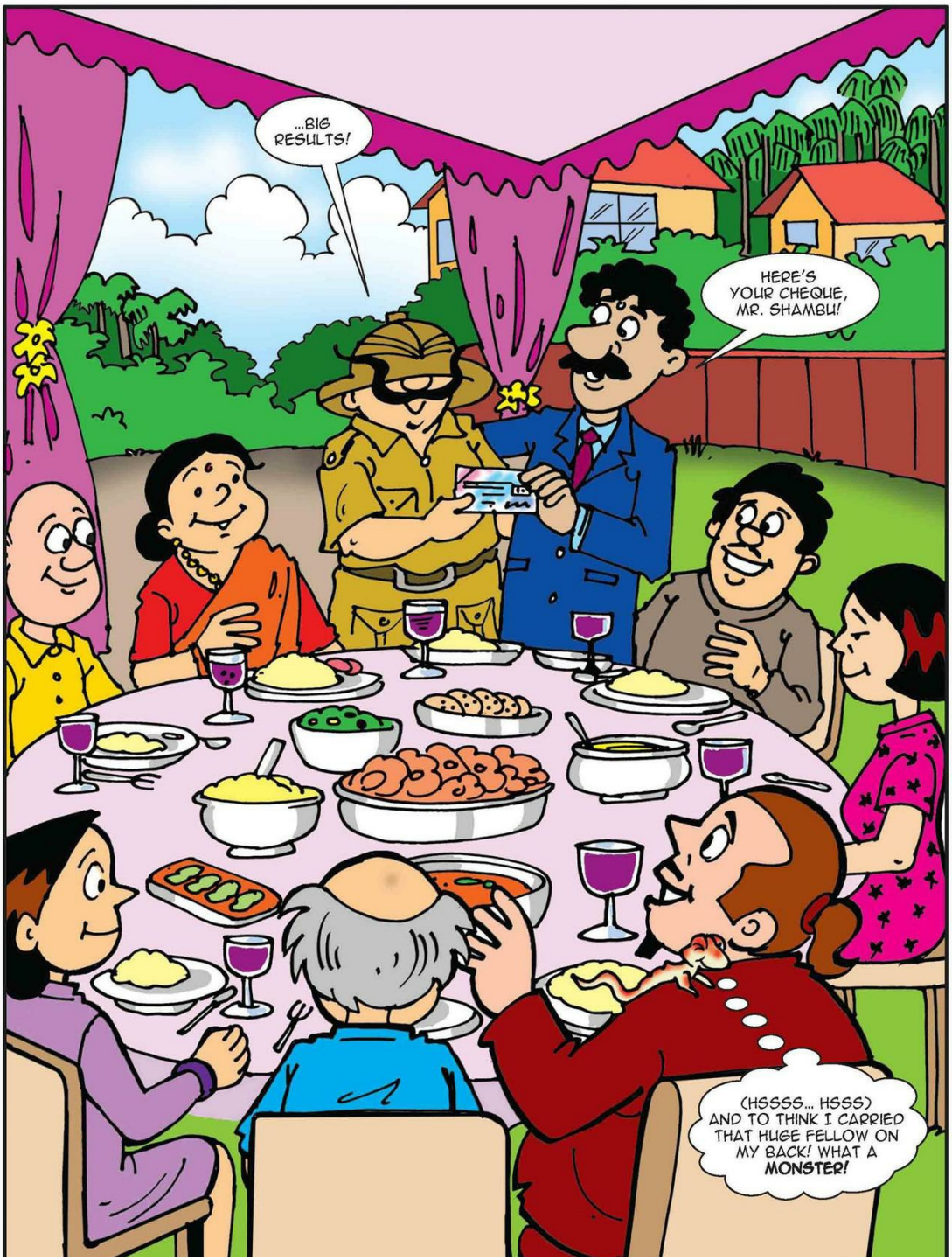
SQUILCHCHCH...!

...QUICKSAND! WE'RE SINKING!
IF ONLY I COULD REACH THAT BRANCH...
HERE GOES!
GOT IT!
CRRRCCCKKK

HEY!

AAAAAH!
THEY SAY YOU SHOULDN'T STRUGGLE IN QUICKSAND, BUT WHAT ELSE CAN I DO?
GRAB THE ROPE, MR. SHAMBU!
(WHEW!)
MR. SHAMBU, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT? WHERE'S LIZZIE?
UHH...

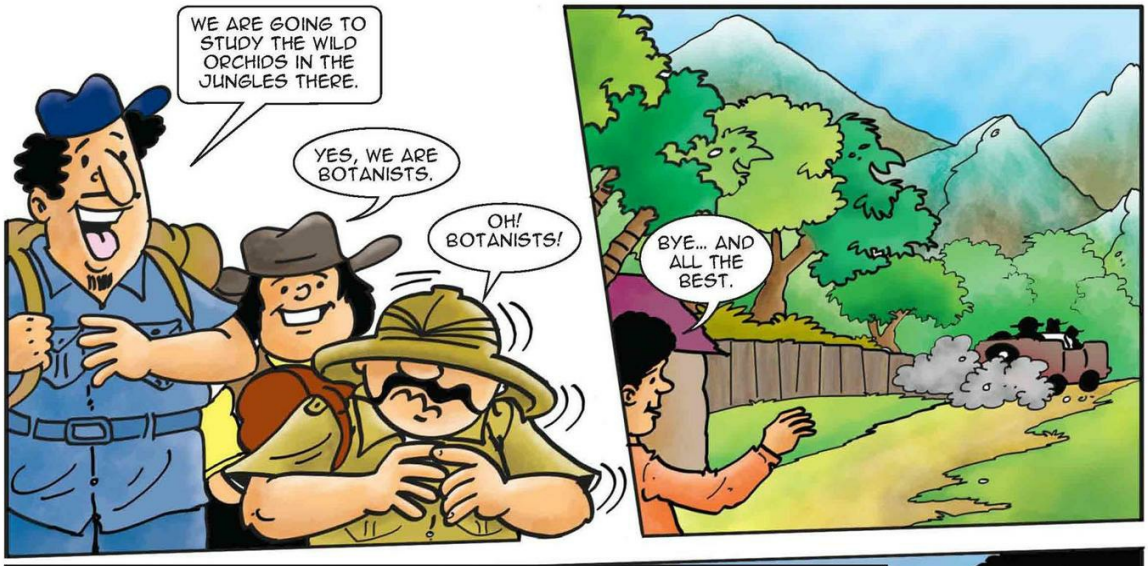

YOU MEAN... MY LIZZIE **DROWNED** IN THE QUICKSAND? OH, POOR LIZZIE!
WHA... SHE'S ALIVE. LOOK!
LIZZIE! MY DEAR, DEAR LIZZIE, YOU'RE BACK TO NORMAL SIZE!
I MUST STUDY THIS QUICKSAND. SOMETHING IN IT SEEMS TO WORK AS AN ANTIDOTE! WHAT LUCK YOU CHANCED ON IT, MR. SHAMBU!
Y-YES.
WHAT'S GOING ON?
I HAVE SOME EXPLAINING TO DO, MR. MURALI. BUT IT CAN WAIT. FOR NOW, LET'S REJOICE THAT OUR PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN SOLVED.
THANKS TO OUR HERO HERE.
YOU KNOW, DR. DJANGO, MY WIFE ALWAYS SAYS THAT I THINK SMALL. BUT, SOMETIMES, THINKING SMALL CAN GET...

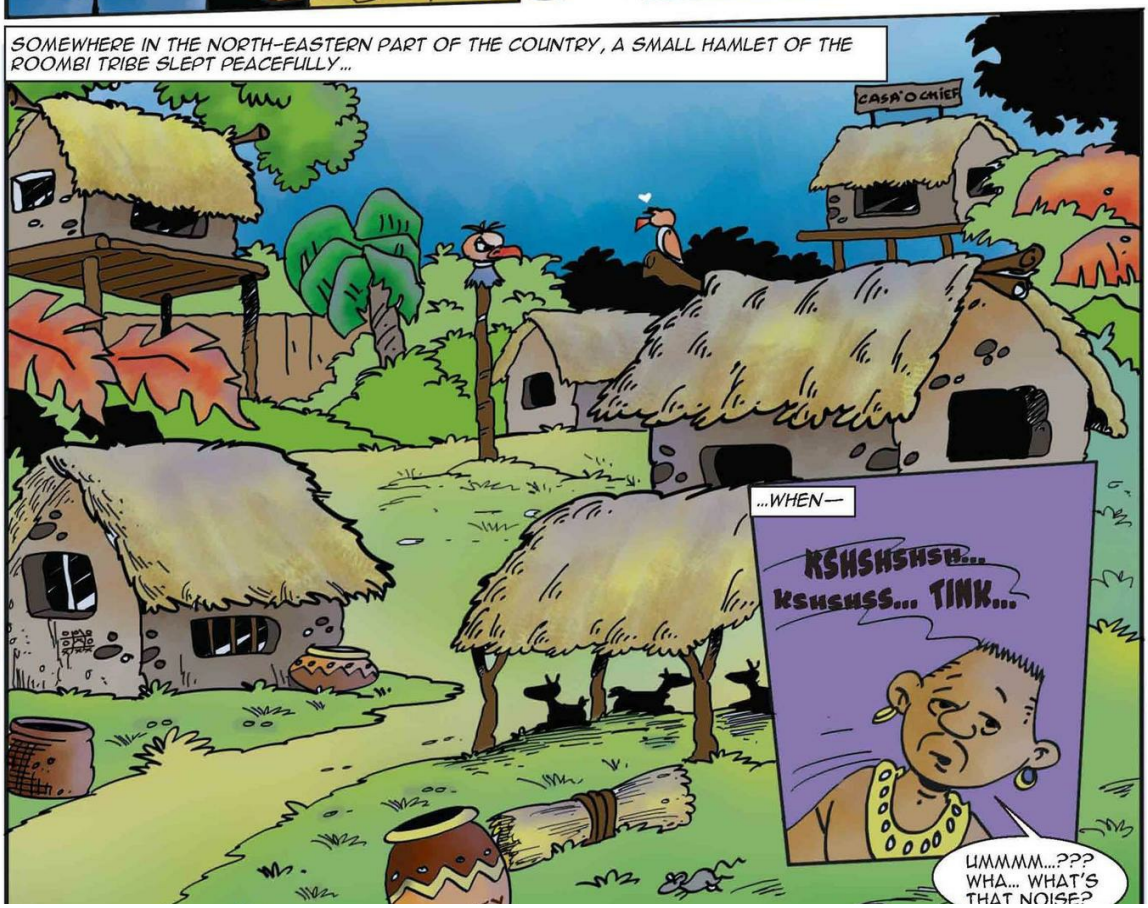

...BIG RESULTS!
HERE'S YOUR CHEQUE, MR. SHAMBU!
(HSSSS... HSSS) AND TO THINK I CARRIED THAT HUGE FELLOW ON MY BACK! WHAT A MONSTER!

THE RINGMASTER

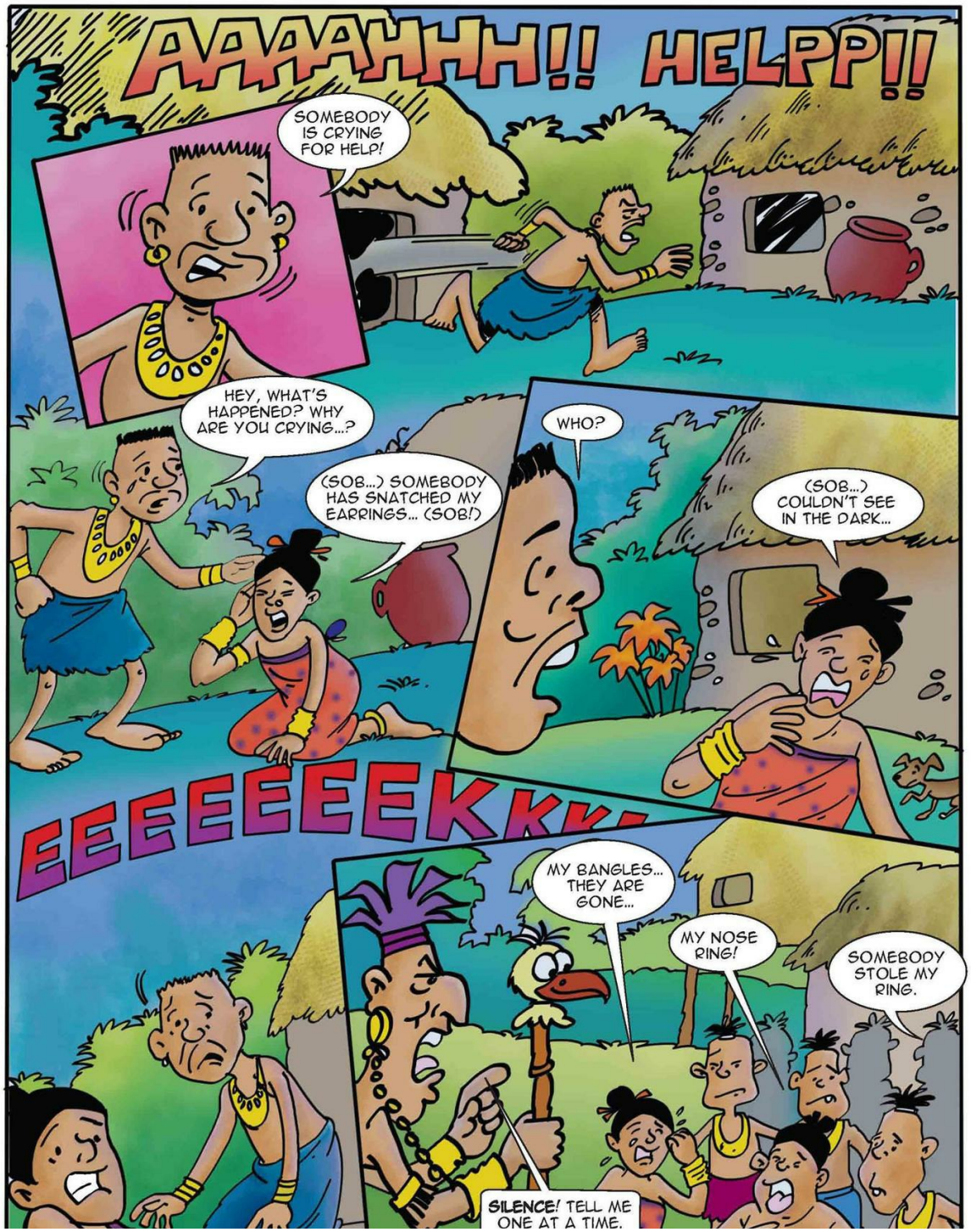
SO, I HAVE ALREADY SAID 'YES' ON YOUR BEHALF.
??!! (GRUMBLE... GRUMBLE...)
THE NEXT DAY—
MR. SHAMBU, MEET HERR VON SCHNABE FROM GERMANY AND MONSIEUR BRESSARD FROM FRANCE.
IT'S A PLEASURE MEETING YOU, MR. SHAMBU. WE HAVE HEARD MANY TALES OF YOUR BRAVERY.
MANY THANKS FOR MAKING YOURSELF AVAILABLE AT SUCH SHORT NOTICE.
HEH HEH! I'M ALWAYS READY FOR AN ADVENTURE. ER... WHERE EXACTLY ARE WE GOING?
TO THE NORTH-EASTERN BORDER OF INDIA.
EGAD!! THEY ARE TAKING ME TO THE LAND OF THE
UMM... HMM... HOW UNFORTUNATE! I'M ALLERGIC TO RHINOS. BYE...
DON'T WORRY, MR. SHAMBU. THESE JUNGLES HAVE NO RHINOS.

RHINOS.

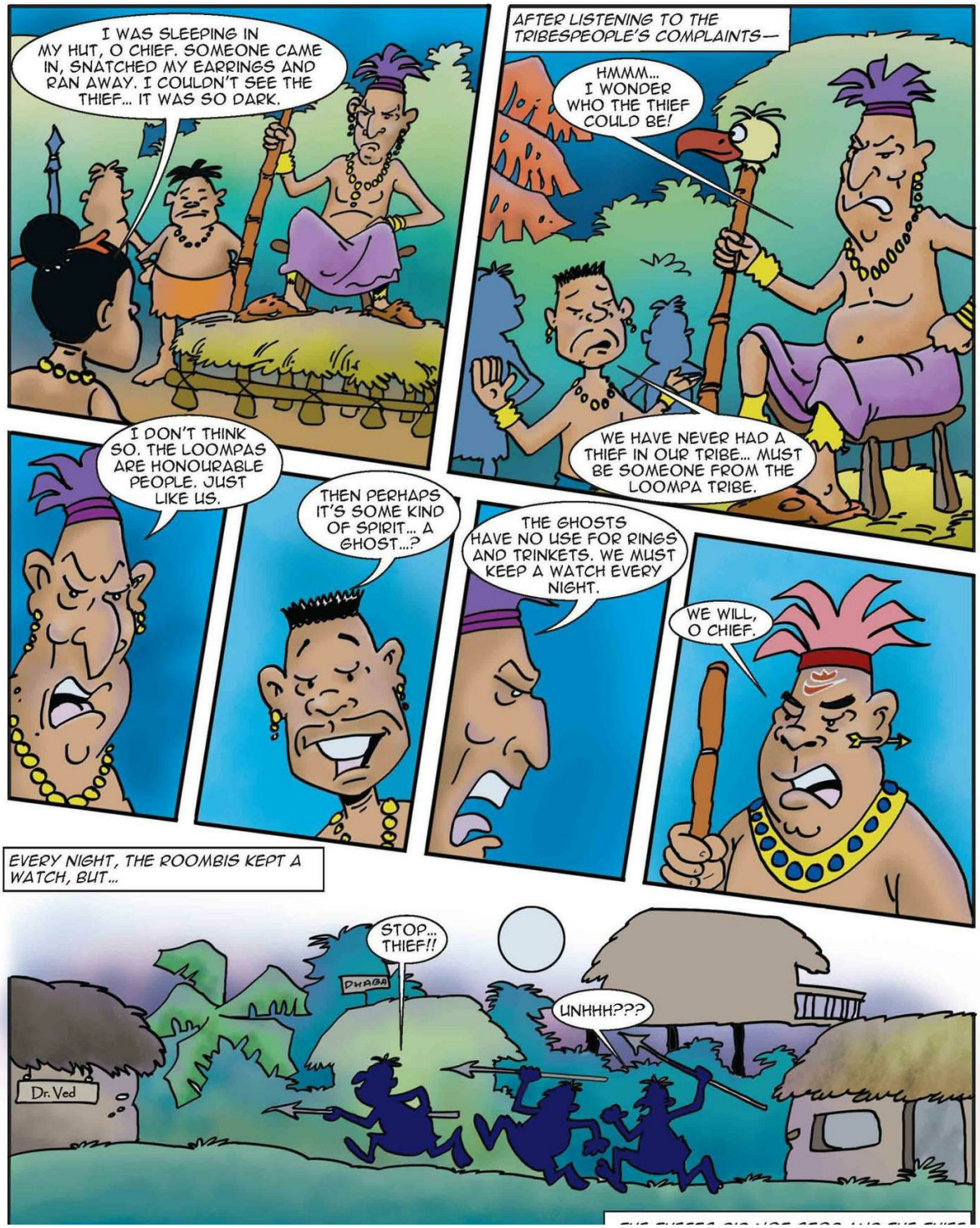

WE ARE GOING TO STUDY THE WILD ORCHIDS IN THE JUNGLES THERE.
YES, WE ARE BOTANISTS.
OH! BOTANISTS!
BYE... AND ALL THE BEST.


SOMEWHERE IN THE NORTH-EASTERN PART OF THE COUNTRY, A SMALL HAMLET OF THE ROOMBI TRIBE SLEPT PEACEFULLY...
CASA'O CHIEF
...WHEN—
KSHSHSHSH... KSHSHSS... TINK...
UMMMM...??? WHA... WHAT'S THAT NOISE?

A-1 HONE


AAAAAHHH!! HELPP!!
SOMEBODY IS CRYING FOR HELP!
HEY, WHAT'S HAPPENED? WHY ARE YOU CRYING...?
(SOB...) SOMEBODY HAS SNATCHED MY EARRINGS... (SOB!)
WHO?
(SOB...) COULDN'T SEE IN THE DARK...
EEEEEEEEKKK
MY BANGLES... THEY ARE GONE...
MY NOSE RING!
SOMEBODY STOLE MY RING.
SILENCE! TELL ME ONE AT A TIME.

YOU, DIMKA!


I WAS SLEEPING IN MY HUT, O CHIEF. SOMEONE CAME IN, SNATCHED MY EARRINGS AND RAN AWAY. I COULDN'T SEE THE THIEF... IT WAS SO DARK.
AFTER LISTENING TO THE TRIBESPEOPLE'S COMPLAINTS—
HMMM... I WONDER WHO THE THIEF COULD BE!
WE HAVE NEVER HAD A THIEF IN OUR TRIBE... MUST BE SOMEONE FROM THE LOOMPA TRIBE.
I DON'T THINK SO. THE LOOMPAS ARE HONOURABLE PEOPLE. JUST LIKE US.
THEN PERHAPS IT'S SOME KIND OF SPIRIT... A GHOST...?
THE GHOSTS HAVE NO USE FOR RINGS AND TRINKETS. WE MUST KEEP A WATCH EVERY NIGHT.
WE WILL, O CHIEF.
EVERY NIGHT, THE ROOMBIS KEPT A WATCH, BUT...
STOP... THIEF!!
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UNHHH???
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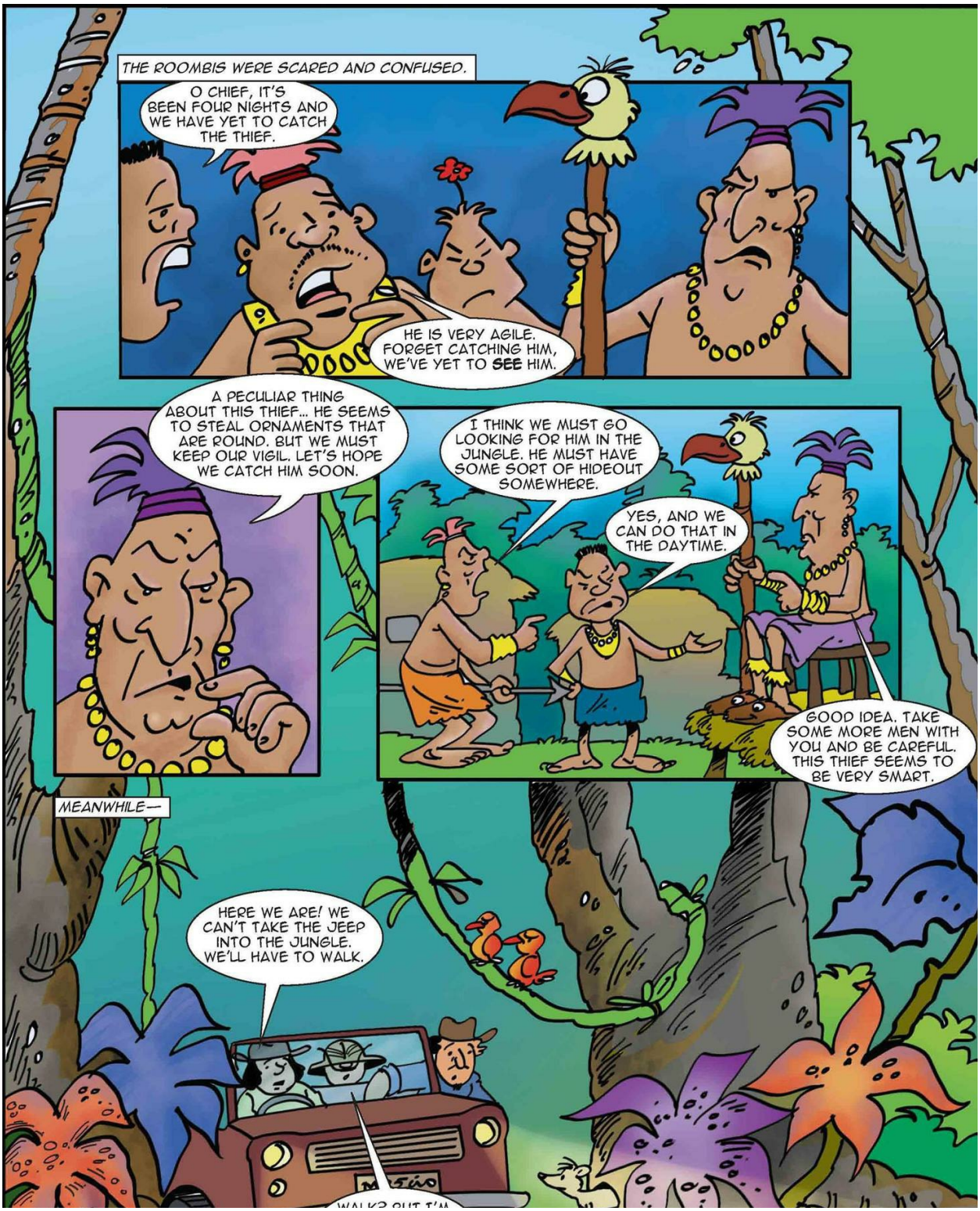
...THE THEFTS DID NOT STOP AND THE THIEF WAS NOT CAUGHT.


THE ROOMBIS WERE SCARED AND CONFUSED.
O CHIEF, IT'S BEEN FOUR NIGHTS AND WE HAVE YET TO CATCH THE THIEF.
HE IS VERY AGILE. FORGET CATCHING HIM, WE'VE YET TO SEE HIM.
A PECULIAR THING ABOUT THIS THIEF... HE SEEMS TO STEAL ORNAMENTS THAT ARE ROUND. BUT WE MUST KEEP OUR VIGIL. LET'S HOPE WE CATCH HIM SOON.
I THINK WE MUST GO LOOKING FOR HIM IN THE JUNGLE. HE MUST HAVE SOME SORT OF HIDEOUT SOMEWHERE.
YES, AND WE CAN DO THAT IN THE DAYTIME.
GOOD IDEA. TAKE SOME MORE MEN WITH YOU AND BE CAREFUL. THIS THIEF SEEMS TO BE VERY SMART.
MEANWHILE—
HERE WE ARE! WE CAN'T TAKE THE JEEP INTO THE JUNGLE. WE'LL HAVE TO WALK.

BONE-TIRED,
WHAT WITH THAT
BUMPY RIDE.

LATER, IN THE DENSE JUNGLE—
THIS JUNGLE MUST BE INFESTED WITH WILD ANIMALS, SNAKES AND SCORPIONS...
WELL, WE HAVE THE WORLD'S GREATEST HUNTER TO PROTECT US!
A HUNTER? WHERE? WHERE?
YOU ARE SO MODEST, MR. SHAMBU.
HEY, WHEN DO WE EAT? ALL THIS WALKING IS MAKING ME HUNGRY.
SOON, MR. SHAMBU. THERE IS A STREAM NEAR A CLEARING AHEAD. WE WILL CAMP THERE AND HAVE OUR LUNCH.
THERE'S THE STREAM! LET'S EAT.
WE HAVE COFFEE AND SANDWICHES. WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE FIRST, MR. SHAMBU?
SOME COFFEE PLEASE.
AND HERE'S YOUR SANDWICH.
JUST THEN—
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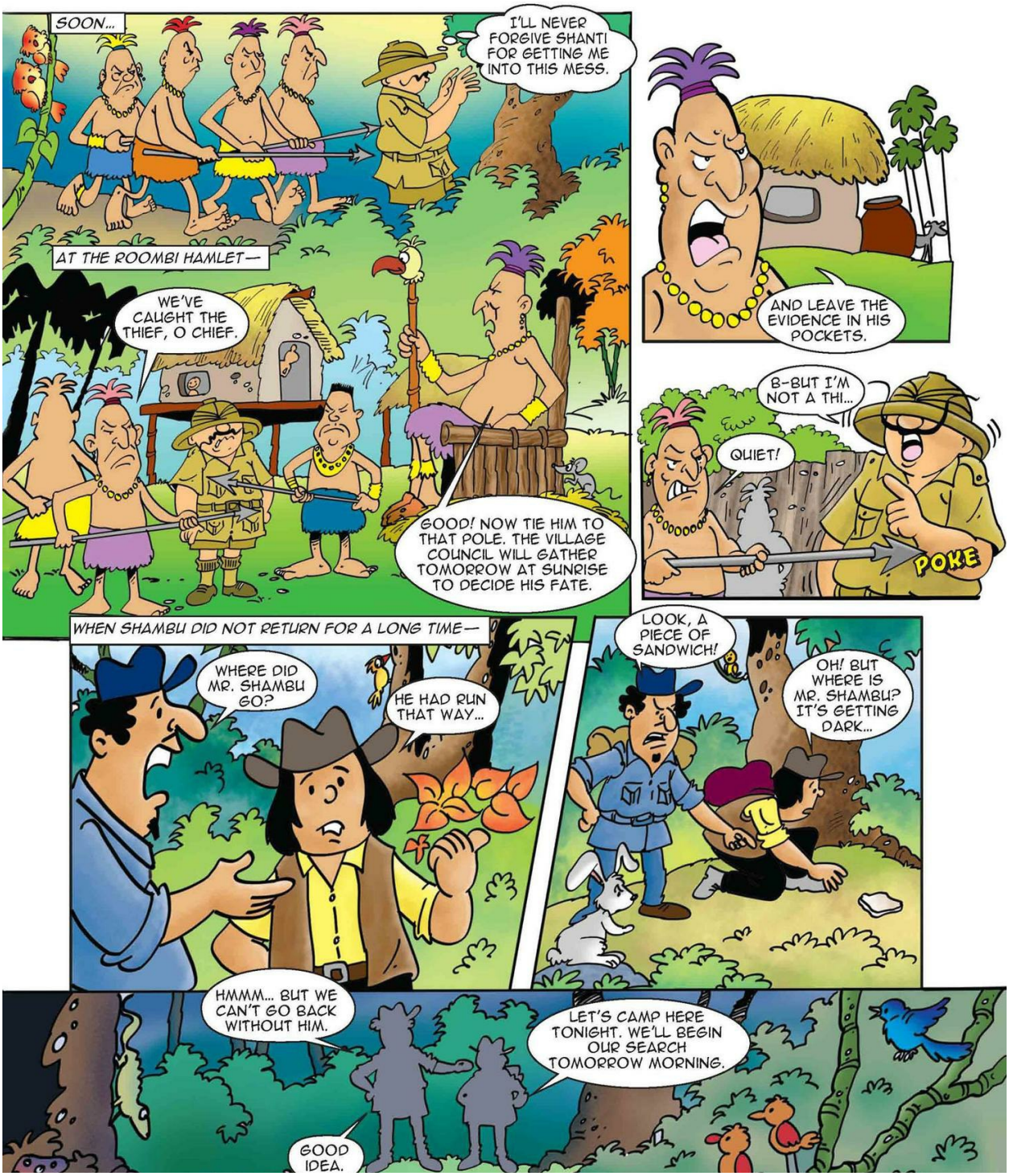
HEY, YOU! STOP!

GIVE ME MY SANDWICH BACK, YOU STUPID CREATURE!
???
WAIT, MR. SHAMBU. WE HAVE PLENTY LEFT...
COME BACK HERE!
CHEE... CHEEE...
CHEEEEEEEERRRRRRRR...
HEY!!
???
HA! SCARED HIM OFF! AND I GOT MY SANDWICH BACK!
NOW TO GET BACK TO THE OTHERS.
???
GOODNESS!!

NOOOOO... HELP!!
I'M DONE FOR!
GET DOWN, FATSO!!
PLEASE SPARE ME!
???
WHAT'S THAT GLITTERING INSIDE?!
OUCH!!
POKE... POKE...!!
HEY LOOK! OUR STOLEN JEWELLERY!!
???
GET DOWN, YOU THIEF, OR I'LL STICK MY SPEAR INTO YOU!
TAKE IT ALL. JUST DON'T KILL ME... PLEEEEEEASE....
POKE... POKE...!!
NOOOOOO...!!
HELPPPP...


SOON...
I'LL NEVER FORGIVE SHANTI FOR GETTING ME INTO THIS MESS.
AT THE ROOMBI HAMLET—
WE'VE CAUGHT THE THIEF, O CHIEF.
GOOD! NOW TIE HIM TO THAT POLE. THE VILLAGE COUNCIL WILL GATHER TOMORROW AT SUNRISE TO DECIDE HIS FATE.
AND LEAVE THE EVIDENCE IN HIS POCKETS.
B-BUT I'M NOT A THI...
QUIET!
POKE
WHEN SHAMBU DID NOT RETURN FOR A LONG TIME—
WHERE DID MR. SHAMBU GO?
HE HAD RUN THAT WAY...
LOOK, A PIECE OF SANDWICH!
OH! BUT WHERE IS MR. SHAMBU? IT'S GETTING DARK...
HMMM... BUT WE CAN'T GO BACK WITHOUT HIM.
LET'S CAMP HERE TONIGHT. WE'LL BEGIN OUR SEARCH TOMORROW MORNING.
GOOD IDEA.

SCHNABE AND BRESSARD MADE CAMP FOR THE NIGHT AND SOON...
ZZZZZZZZZZZZZZ
(SNIFF) AND I HAVEN'T EVEN MADE A WILL!
I MUST TRY TO ESCAPE WHILE NO ONE IS AROUND. (GNGNGNGNG...)
JINGLE CLINK JINGLE
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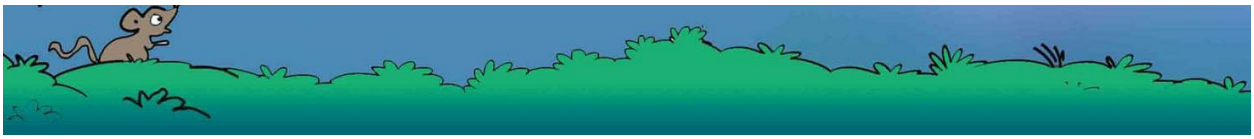
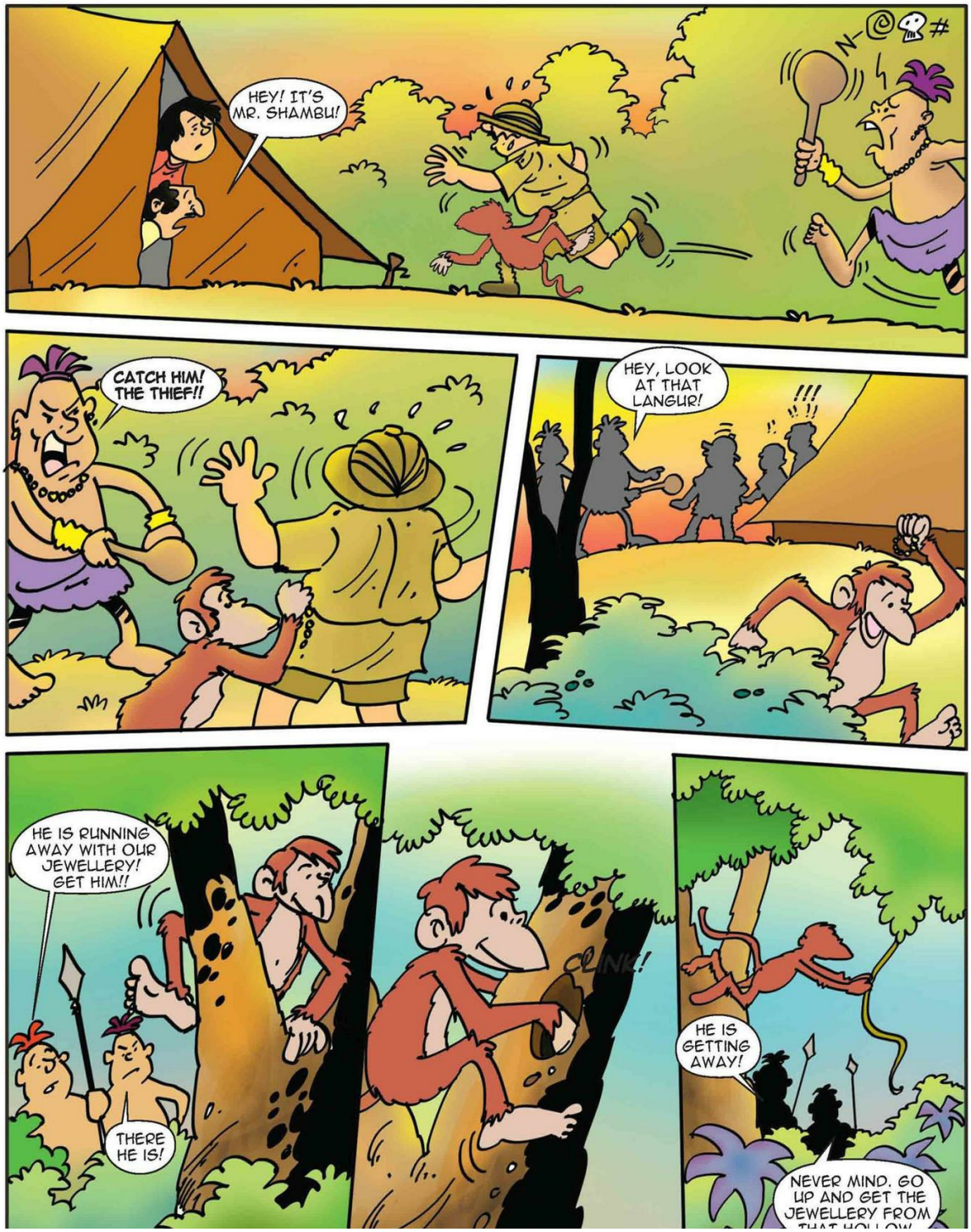
JINGLE CLINK JINGLE
YOU AGAIN? SHOO! GO AWAY!
HEY! HEY!!
JINGLE CLINK JINGLE
GO AWAY, YOU STUPID SIMIAN!



SUDDENLY—
I'M FREE!
CHEEEEE... CHEEEE...
LEAVE ME ALONE!!
CHIRRRRRR... CHEEEEE...
FOR SALE
THE RACKET WOKE THE TRIBESPEOPLE—
CHEEEEE... CHEEEE...
HUH? WHAT'S THAT NOISE?
EH? THE PRISONER HAS ESCAPED!
THERE HE GOES! WAKE UP! WAKE UP, EVERYBODY!! THE PRISONER'S ESCAPED.
HOTEL

SOON, A MIGHTY CHASE BEGAN...
COME, HE CAN'T HAVE GONE FAR!!
...WHICH WENT ON ALL NIGHT.
OUUUUU!!
CHEEEEE...
UHHHH!!
BOCK!!
CHEEEEE...?
HEY, GET OFF MY FACE!! I CAN'T SEE!!
CHIRRRRRRRR...
THERE HE IS!
MR. BESSARD! MR. SCHNABE! HELP ME!!


HEY! IT'S MR. SHAMBU!
CATCH HIM! THE THIEF!!
HEY, LOOK AT THAT LANGUR!
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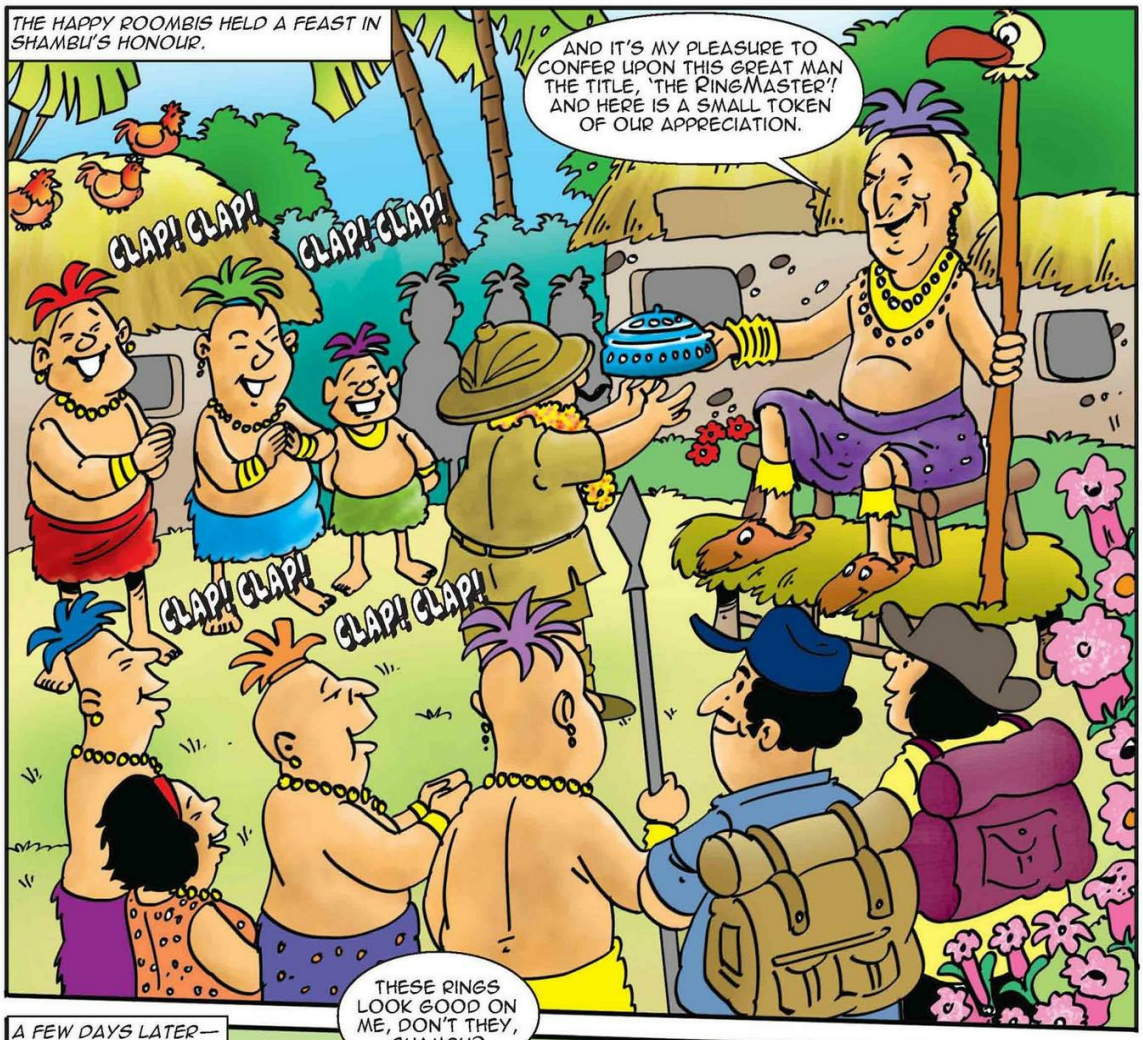
HE IS RUNNING AWAY WITH OUR JEWELLERY! GET HIM!!
THERE HE IS!
CLINK!
HE IS GETTING AWAY!
NEVER MIND. GO UP AND GET THE JEWELLERY FROM

THAT HOLLOW.

HEY! ALL OUR STOLEN JEWELLERY IS HERE.
WE WERE MISTAKEN. THE REAL THIEF MUST HAVE BEEN THE LANGUR. WE MUST APOLOGIZE TO THE FAT MAN.
A LITTLE LATER—
...AND WE ARE IN YOUR DEBT, FRIEND! IT WAS YOUR BRAVERY THAT GOT US OUR JEWELLERY BACK.
HEH! HEH! AS USUAL IT WAS NOTHING...


THE HAPPY ROOMBIS HELD A FEAST IN SHAMBU'S HONOUR.
AND IT'S MY PLEASURE TO CONFER UPON THIS GREAT MAN THE TITLE, 'THE RINGMASTER'! AND HERE IS A SMALL TOKEN OF OUR APPRECIATION.
CLAP! CLAP!
CLAP! CLAP!
CLAP! CLAP!
CLAP! CLAP!

A FEW DAYS LATER—
THESE RINGS LOOK GOOD ON ME, DON'T THEY, SHAMBU?
ER...
BETTER 'RING' DOWN THE CURTAIN BEFORE I MAKE A TACTLESS REPLY!

AS YOU SAY, RINGMASTER.